

The weather at major Swissair destinations

20.10.83	MIN.	MAX.	C.F.F.
AMSTERDAM	8	14	Cloudy
BRUSSELS	9	14	Cloudy
BUDAPEST	10	15	Cloudy
COPENHAGEN	8	13	Cloudy
FRANKFURT	9	14	Cloudy
GENEVA	3	14	Cloudy
HELSINKI	6	11	Cloudy
HONG KONG	26	31	Clear
JOHANNESBURG	11	23	Cloudy
LONDON	12	18	Cloudy
MADRID	7	15	Cloudy
MONTREAL	2	10	Cloudy
NEW YORK	2	10	Cloudy
OSLO	4	14	Cloudy
PARIS	8	14	Cloudy
RUDE JARVU	10	15	Cloudy
SAO PAULO	14	18	Cloudy
STOCKHOLM	8	13	Cloudy
TOKYO	12	18	Cloudy
TORONTO	3	10	Cloudy
ZURICH	5	11	Cloudy

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Further rise in temperature.

Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
Humidity	Min-Max	Max
Jerusalem	11-17	20
Golan	11-17	20
Nahariya	12-18	20
Safed	16-18	20
Haifa Port	20-19	22
Tiberias	21-17	30
Nazareth	12-18	31
Afula	18-19	34
Shomron	15-19	30
Tel Aviv	16-17	28
B-G Airport	15-19	30
Jericho	21-16	35
Gaza	26-17	37
Beer-Sheva	12-31	32
Eilat	24-30	34

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Austrian Ambassador Otto Pleinert yesterday presented Yehudit Huebner, deputy director-general of the Interior Ministry and ambassador-designate to Norway, with the Great Golden Order of Distinction, awarded by Austrian President Rudolf Kirchschlaeger.

The honorary consul-general of Norway, Elihu Izakson, and Mrs. Izakson held a reception at their home in Herzliya on Wednesday evening for members of the Norwegian parliamentary delegation. The delegation comprised Odar Nordli (Labour Party) and leader of the group; Haakon Randal (Conservative party); Tore Austad (Conservative); Sverre Helland (Centre Party); Liv Aasen (Labour); Jens Flaas (Christian Democratic Party); Sven Destratow, delegation Secretary; and Hans Bratstada, counsellor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Israeli guests included Knesset Speaker Menachem Begin and former prime minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Leonora Lev of Maariv and Noah Klinger of Yediot Aharanot, yesterday were awarded the Yitzhak Nim-covich Prize for their writing on the Holocaust. The ceremony, at Beit Sokolow in Tel Aviv, was addressed by Moshe Kol, the Independent Liberal Party veteran and former head of Youth Aliya, where Nim-covich used to work.

Danish Minister of Culture Mimi Stilling Jakobsen and her husband, accompanied by Danish Ambassador to Israel Sven Nielsen and Mrs. Nielsen, were hosted at a dinner this week by Hebrew University president Don Patinkin and Mrs. Patinkin. Also present were university chancellor Avraham Harman and university and Foreign Ministry officials.

The Helen and Paul Zuckerman Hall in Business Administration on the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus was dedicated yesterday in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zuckerman of Detroit. Among the guests were MK and Mrs. Yitzhak Rabin, Rachel Dayan, and leaders of the Jewish Agency and the UJA. University chancellor Avraham Harman chaired the ceremony.

MK Shulamit Aloni addressed the Israeli Women's (Ida Nudel) committee yesterday about her recent trip to Russia at the WIZO house, Tel Aviv.

Gad Yaacobi, chairman of the Knesset Economics Committee, will speak on the economic crisis at the Haifa Maritime and Economics Club, Zion Hotel, 1 o'clock today. Table reservations by phone, 04-537766.

ARRIVALS

Irwin S. Field, chairman of the United Israel Appeal, to participate in the meetings of the board of governors of the Jewish Agency.

Isador Maud, federal president of the UJA-Keren Hayesod in Australia, for meetings of the Jewish Agency board of governors and Keren Hayesod board of trustees.

ANOTHER SUB. — The Egyptian Navy is to obtain a third submarine from China by the end of the year, Navy Chief Rear-Admiral Ali Tawfik Gad told news reporters in Cairo yesterday.

HOME NEWS

Agreement on Lebanon talks site

BEIRUT (AP). — Lebanese President Amin Gemayel's government, forced to cancel reconciliation talks on the outskirts of Beirut, yesterday announced that leaders of Lebanon's warring factions had agreed to a new site for their meeting.

Both Foreign Minister Elie Salem and Saudi mediator Rafik Hariri appeared live on Lebanon's state television to announce that a new site for the talks had been agreed upon.

But neither Hariri nor Salem would elaborate on the new date and venue.

Salem said the conference will be held "in a friendly country. We look forward to holding the conference very soon — as soon as diplomatic contacts for arrangements have been completed with that friendly country."

Government sources suggested Geneva as the most likely site for

the meeting and said it would probably get underway early next week.

"After contacts with the (Lebanese opposition) National Salvation Front and (Syrian) Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam, I conveyed to Foreign Minister Salem that all responses were positive concerning the new site of the national reconciliation conference," Hariri said on television.

The government's efforts to bring together leaders of Lebanon's warring factions in Switzerland came a day after opposition leaders refused to attend the opening session of talks that Gemayel had scheduled at Beirut International Airport.

Druse leader Walid Jumblatt, who survived an assassination attempt last December, declared the airport unsafe and said "Geneva could be the convenient place for everyone and the safest place."

Tunis, where the Arab League is headquartered, was considered a back-up choice, the sources said.

The reconciliation conference was called for in the September 26 cease-fire ending the fighting between Druse and Shia Moslem militias on one side and the Lebanese Army and fighters of the Christian Phalange Party on the other.

A French soldier of the multinational peacekeeping force was slightly wounded in West Beirut, meanwhile, when a roadside explosion went off as a French truck passed by.

Sniping at army positions opposite the Shia Moslem neighbourhood of Chiyah was reported throughout the day. Police said a Lebanese Army soldier and a policeman were killed along with three gunmen firing across the "Green Line" into the Christian area of Ein Rummana.

PLO rivals contradict Arafat on strategy

By DAVID BERNSTEIN
Post-Mideast Affairs Reporter and Agencies

There were conflicting reports last night concerning PLO chairman Yasser Arafat's future strategy.

Arafat was quoted as telling a Hungarian newspaper yesterday that the minimum condition for ending the quarrels within his movement is a return to the Middle East peace plan adopted by last September's Arab summit in Fez.

That plan calls for the creation of an independent Palestinian state while tacitly acknowledging Israel's right to exist in its pre-1967 borders.

But an official PLO spokesman in Kuwait announced that Arafat and his mainstream Fatah group had accepted proposals put forward by George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and

Nayif Hawatma's Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which rejected all peace plans and called for an all-out armed struggle against Israel.

The Fatah office in Kuwait said that acceptance of these demands, as well as the demand for a collective leadership to replace the authoritarian rule of Arafat, was announced in Tripoli by the PLO leader's second in command, Khalil Wazir (Abu Jihad).

The proposals put forward by Habash and Hawatma at a press conference earlier this week echoed identical demands made by dissidents in Fatah and so far rejected by Arafat.

Their public endorsement of these demands was seen as an attempt to warn Arafat that he could not count indefinitely on the sup-

port of Habash and Hawatma for his continued leadership of the PLO if he persists in stressing diplomacy at the expense of armed struggle.

The apparent warning followed two public announcements by Arafat last week that he is working toward renewing his dialogue with Jordan, which had to bow out of cooperating with President Ronald Reagan's Middle East peace initiative after King Hussein failed to win a PLO mandate to negotiate the return of the West Bank on its behalf.

In Cairo, meanwhile, President Hosni Mubarak disclosed yesterday that visiting Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu had told him that there is still hope for a Palestinian-Jordanian agreement on a joint approach to peace negotiations with Israel.

REAGAN

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as well as Jordan.

From Reagan's remarks, it was apparent that the president is not tilting toward Syria, as some reports have recently suggested. Other U.S. officials may be moving in that direction, but not Reagan, who continues to see in the Syrians a close ally of Moscow.

"We're going to keep on doing what we have been doing — trying to complete the plan which we launched a little more than a year ago. We know there are hazards there. No one can feel more deeply about the loss of life and the wounding of some of our men there," the president said.

"We knew it was a hazardous undertaking when we joined in the multinational force. But our objective remains the same."

Reagan said the U.S. has "made great progress" in Lebanon. He singled out former special Middle East envoy Philip Habib and Robert McFarlane for warm praise.

He noted the cease-fire and recalled the constant shelling of Beirut just one year ago. That shelling, he said, was killing "literally hundreds of civilians on a daily basis, wounding others grievously."

"As long as there is a possibility of making the overall peace plan work, we're going to stay there," he said.

Reagan said Israel's northern border had been "violated by terrorist groups — the innocent people there being killed. They (Israel) had a responsibility to try and defend that border."

Reagan called resolving the problems in Lebanon "the first phase" in the broader scheme to bring peace to the region. He said his long-range goal is to find "the more moderate Arabs" who might be willing to make peace with Israel along the lines of the late Egyptian president Anwar Sadat. But all of that, he added, "hinges on the resolution of Lebanon."

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In Memoriam

President Chaim Herzog, ministers and MKs were among those attending a memorial service yesterday at Jerusalem's Mount Herzl on the ninth anniversary of the death of the third president of Israel, Zalman Shazar.

On the thirtieth day after the untimely passing of

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a memorial service and unveiling of the tombstone will be held at the grave in the cemetery on the Mount of Olives, Jerusalem (entrance near the Intercontinental Hotel) on Thursday, October 27, 1983 (Heshvan 20, 5744) at 4 p.m.

The Family

On the thirtieth day after the passing of

our beloved husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather and brother

REUVEN STRAUSS

we want to thank all who expressed their sympathy and shared our sorrow.

His wife, Hilde Strauss (née Hamburger), Nehariya
Sons, Joel and Nathan Strauss, and their families, Haifa
Alice Haas and her family, USA

UN move to suspend Israel averted by Norwegian ploy

By LEON HADAR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS. — A move to reject Israel's diplomatic credentials to the UN General Assembly failed yesterday morning.

The assembly met to consider the first report to the credentials committee, which recommended approving the credentials of all members. But the Iranian delegation proposed an amendment to reject Israel's credentials. The Iranian move was supported by the delegations of Libya, Syria and South Yemen.

The U.S. announced that any move to suspend Israel would result in an American cut-off of its financial contribution to the organization and possibly an American withdrawal from the assembly and other UN bodies. West European and Third World members also were opposed to the move, fearing

it would lead to a crisis in the organization.

Speaking on behalf of the five members of the Nordic group, Norway proposed a motion based on Article 74 of the rules of procedures of the General Assembly, according to which "during the discussion of any matter, a representative may move the adjournment of the item under discussion." Norway proposed to end the debate on the Iranian amendment thus keeping it from coming to a vote. Seventy-nine members supported the Norwegian motion, 43 — most of them Moslem states — opposed it, and 19 members abstained. Thus the motion was adopted, meaning that the assembly decided not to vote on the Iranian amendment.

Israel's UN Ambassador Yehuda Blum said following the vote that the forces of "bigotry and gangsterism" were again defeated.

Jews and Arabs confer in Hebron

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The acting Mayor of Hebron Zamir Shemesh yesterday summoned some 50 of the town's Arab residents to a meeting with representatives of their Jewish neighbours from Kiryat Arba, Arab and Israeli sources said last night.

The meeting, which took place in the municipal offices, came after years of increasing violence between Arabs and Jews in the city of the patriarchs. It also clearly indicated the extent to which the settlers have been able to influence Shemesh and his superiors.

Shemesh, a veteran employee of the civil administration, was appointed to run the town following the dismissal of the Arab mayor and council three months ago. Since then, settlers can be seen daily inside the municipal offices.

At yesterday's meeting, the set-

UNIFORM. — A house painter was fined \$7,000 by the Haifa magistrate's court this week after being found guilty of wearing an Israel Defence Forces uniform while doing civilian work.

VIOLATIONS. — A total of 383 tickets for traffic violations were issued this week in Tel Aviv.

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Likud lists deprived of funding

Because of mounting tension between members of Herut and Liberals within the Likud, 10 local Likud lists are being deprived of any financial support for their campaign from party headquarters with only a few days left until election day.

The growing Herut-Liberal friction was predicted as soon as Menachem Begin left the political scene. The simmering tensions surfaced then, with the Liberals becoming increasingly suspicious that Herut might wish to begin removing them from Likud lists.

Many in Herut have long regarded the Liberals as free-loaders who bring few votes but are over-represented.

This tension has resulted in 10 local Likud lists being deprived of elections funds, including Herzliya, Ashkelon, Bnei Brak, Kiryat Malachi, Kiryat Ono and Kiryat Gat. Representatives of these lists protested yesterday at Likud headquarters in Tel Aviv.

The deprived candidates blame Liberal energy minister Yitzhak Moda'i, who is in charge of the Likud's municipal campaign.

They maintain that Moda'i had initially denied funds to 25 Likud lists, but after intervention by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, he relented and left only 10 localities on the blacklist.

Benny Shalit, a member of the Moda'i faction of the Liberal Party, explained yesterday that funds are indeed being denied the local lists because they had not included or had tried to oust Liberals.

But Herut MK Haim Kaufman countered by saying that the lists were all approved by top Liberals including Liberal ministers Avraham Shafir, Moshe Nissim, Gi-

deon Patt and Sara Doron. Moda'i did not go over the lists because he was out of the country at the time. On his return, he wanted changes, but it was too late.

Turnout problem

The latest poll commissioned by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek's One Jerusalem List shows that Kollek could lose his majority in the city council in next week's elections.

Kollek's One Jerusalem won a majority in the city's secular neighbourhoods in the poll, which was conducted before the attack on the mayor by religious zealots last Saturday. But a low turnout by secular voters and a very high turnout by Agudat Yisrael supporters could give the Aguda four seats, One Jerusalem sources said.

According to the poll, One Jerusalem would get 14 or 15 seats on the 32-seat council. One Jerusalem now has 16 seats. The Likud would climb to six from five.

Haifa rally

Deputy Prime Minister David Levy and Defence Minister Moshe Arens are to appear at an election rally at the Ora Cinema in Haifa on Sunday in support of Yael Rom, who is running for mayor on an independent list with the local Liberal Party, Rom said yesterday.

She expressed delight that the two senior Herut ministers had decided to throw their weight behind her candidacy instead of the official Likud candidate from the Herut Party, Yom-Tov Elkayam.

(Compiled from reports by Sarah Honig, Michael Eilan and David Ridge.)

Plan makes it worth while to renew savings schemes

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

The Treasury and the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday agreed to enable participants in saving schemes maturing in the coming two months to get a bonus equal to the October or November consumer price index increase, on condition that they renew their schemes for 42 months.

Savers withdrawing their deposits after two years will get 70 per cent of the increase in the index.

The initiative arose out of concern in the Treasury that a monetary flood could follow the withdrawal of some IS45 billion in

saving schemes that mature in the next two months.

Originally, the Treasury wanted to extend the required period of additional saving to some five years. But yesterday, the Finance Committee decided to shorten the period to 3 1/2 years, and got Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orad's approval for the move.

Normally, savers renewing their schemes lose the linkage to inflation of the month in which the scheme is renewed. Since October's inflation is expected to be 15 to 20 per cent, the loss could have been large. Thus yesterday's agreement prevents such loss and enlarges the yield of the schemes.

Senior Whitehall official to visit

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Richard Luce, the British Foreign Office minister of state with responsibility for the Middle East is to pay an official visit to Israel early in November. He will also go to Jordan and Egypt.

Luce announced his plans yesterday when he addressed the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers Association.

It will be the first time he has been to Israel as minister, and the visit is regarded largely as a familiarization and good-will trip. The fact that he is including two Arab countries in this itinerary is significant, as it is virtually unheard of in Whitehall to combine Israel with visits to Arab countries.

Luce insisted on this despite opposition in certain Foreign Office

circles. He is planning to meet Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Jordan's King Hussein and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. No new British or European initiative is envisaged, but the minister will be encouraging his hosts, especially Israel, to take a fresh look at the Reagan initiative. "One of the very sad things is that this initiative has been rejected by both sides," Luce said yesterday. "It still remains a foundation for talks, and its rejection is a very serious setback. I shall ask Israel and the Arab world to reconsider their attitude to that plan."

FLIGHTS. — Cyprus Airways yesterday suspended scheduled flights to Beirut indefinitely.

Haifa lawyer suspected of crime against state security

HAIFA (Itim). — Haifa lawyer Mohammed Mi'ari, 44, and Technician student Misra Na'if Sa'id, 27, were ordered held for an additional eight days by the Haifa Magistrates Court yesterday on suspicion of having committed grave offences against the state's security. Judge Salim Jubran agreed to the extension after reading classified material shown him by the police representative.

The two are suspected of meeting with PLO chief Yasser Arafat and his deputy Farouk Kaddoumi during a UN conference on the Palestinian issue in Geneva last August.

The police representative told the court that the investigation into the meetings is still going on.

The police also told the court that during a search of Mi'ari's apartment, a pamphlet of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine was found. The organization is illegal in Israel.

Mi'ari told the court that his meetings with the PLO leaders were part of the conference and that they took place in public. Other Israelis, he said, attended the conference and also met with the PLO leaders; but they have not been prosecuted. He said his arrest was political, since he had not committed any crime.

High Court rejects demand to try Peled

The High Court of Justice yesterday rejected a petition that Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir show cause why Aluf (res.) Matiyahu Peled should not be charged with aiding the enemy during wartime when he participated in press conferences in Europe in July 1982 with the Palestine Liberation Organization representative, the late Issam Sartawi.

The petitioner, lawyer Yedidyah Be'eri, was made to pay IS40,000 in court costs, half the sum to Peled's lawyer, Amnon Zichroni, and half to the Justice Ministry.

The court accepted the response of Zichroni and state representative Remato Yarek to the petition that it should not interfere with the judgment of the attorney-general since he bears the "sole authority for deciding which citizens are to be charged in court. Specifically, they said, contacts such as those made by Peled are not forbidden by law."

The court said that Zamir decided not to charge Peled for two reasons: there is insufficient evidence on which to charge him with the offence alleged by Be'eri, and there is no public interest involved in trying Peled.

The bench comprised Justices Yitzhak Kahan, Shoshana Netanyahu and Eliezer Goldenberg. (Itim).

Singer Yehoram Gaon charged with speeding

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Singer Yehoram Gaon was charged with speeding in traffic court here yesterday. The charge said that Gaon, resident of Ramat Hasharon, had been driving at 76 kilometres per hour in a 50kph zone on a Tel Aviv street. Gaon failed to appear yesterday, and the trial was postponed until a later date.

The unveiling of the tombstone for our beloved

ISAAC (Izu) BERCOVICI

owner of Megiddo Tours

will take place on Wednesday, October 26, 1983, at 3.30 p.m. at Holon Cemetery (Old Gate). A bus will be available for those wishing to attend, leaving at 2.45 p.m. from the Mann Auditorium plaza. Our thanks to all who offered condolences and shared our grief, in Israel and abroad.

Sydonie Bercovici and the family

Today, 14 Heshvan 5744 — October 21, 1983, marks the first anniversary of the passing of our beloved

Dr. TOVA BEN-ZADOK

Blessed be her memory.

Family in Israel, United States and Hongkong

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved

Dr. SANDA CHITLARU BRIGGS

born in 1955 in Bucharest

The funeral took place in New York on October 18, 1983.

The Chitlaru and Briggs families

Zamir was ready to sue

Bar-Ilan head 'explains' Kahan critique

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir considered bringing libel and contempt of court proceedings against Bar-Ilan University president Rabbi Emanuel Rackman for a series of articles he published in the New York Jewish Week sharply critical of the Kahan Commission. It has been learned.

Zamir was ready to institute criminal proceedings against Rackman some two months ago after commission members Supreme Court justices Yitzhak Kahan and Aharon Barak and Aluf (Res.) Yona Efrat decided that an "explanation" printed on the letters page of the paper was "unsatisfactory." Rackman had been asked by Zamir to print a retraction or correction of the incorrect facts he had included in his criticism of the commission within the body of his regular column in the paper.

Eventually, after consultation, the commission decided not to lodge a formal complaint against Rackman, and the attorney-general's office is letting the matter rest.

Rackman, who immigrated from the U.S. six years ago, is a lawyer by training and a recognized spokesman for modern Jewish Orthodoxy. Following the publication of the Kahan Commission report on the massacre of Palestinians in the Sabra and Shatila

refugee camps outside Beirut last year, Rackman wrote three articles which bitterly scored the commission's procedures and findings.

"How can I be enthusiastic about an investigation which made those of Senator McCarthy 30 years ago look like a model of judicial propriety?" he wrote in an article published on May 15. "The commission made a mockery of justice," he charged and "could not possibly function judiciously in the harsh climate that prevailed in the world vis-a-vis Israel."

The commission was "a court from which there was no appeal," Rackman wrote, ignoring the fact that the Commission of Inquiry Law specifically distinguishes commissions from courts, and that its findings are not binding but merely recommendations to the cabinet.

He asked "my fellow Americans to ponder" whether the accused had defence counsel, whether they were given the opportunity to cross-examine witnesses, what rights they had as accused persons, and what rules of evidence the commission members followed.

Some of the top advocates in Israel were retained by nearly all of the politicians, military and civilian personnel who were singled out by the commission. They were able to conduct extensive cross examinations and studies of even the most classified evidence brought before the commission, and the rules of

evidence and procedure were agreed by both sides and referred to in the body of the report.

Commission spokesman Bezalel Gordon wrote two letters to the paper pointing out Rackman's errors in fact. Only one was published.

Rackman's explanation, published in August, was a copy of a letter he wrote to the commission apologizing for what he acknowledged might "even have embarrassed the State of Israel" and denying that he even intended "to impugn (the commission member's) erudition, integrity or sense of justice." He also admitted that he did not know that some of the country's most distinguished lawyers had represented those singled out by the commission, or that they had helped the commission agree on questions of procedure.

Rackman said yesterday in a telephone interview that he published the explanation on the letter page of Jewish Week rather than in his column "because letters to the editor are always better read." He admitted that he had not followed the proceedings particularly closely and had not spoken to any of the lawyers who appeared for those singled out by the commission since "it was not necessary."

He felt that his criticism of the commission was even more justified than ever because of the amount of mail he had been receiving sup-



Rabbi Emanuel Rackman

porting his position. This stemmed from familiarity with and appreciation of a superior American system of inquiry, and was based on a clear distinction between the court that indicted and the court that tries, he said. He said he felt that Americans who praised the Kahan Commission did not realize that they were hailing something they would find anathema in their own country.

Rackman, who said he is "more Jewish than Israeli, and more Israeli than American," acknowledged that members of his own law faculty at Bar-Ilan do not agree with him. "I don't like hurting people, but if I had been in charge I would have done it differently," he said.

Flower healer 1 of 7 Kaplan Prize winners

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A botanist who treats sick flowers will be one of the seven recipients of this year's Kaplan Prize.

The award — named after Israel's first minister of finance, the late Eliezer Kaplan — goes to people or organizations who have contributed to the advancement of the Israeli economy through improved worker efficiency and productivity.

The prizes will be awarded next Wednesday, at the end of four days of seminars, lectures and exhibitions connected with efficiency, technology and labour relations sponsored by the Israel Productivity Institute. The events begin on Sunday morning at Binyanei Ha'uma in Jerusalem.

The winners of this year's prizes — the 30th annual series — are the following:

• Dr. Hillela Vigodski-Haas, plant disease researcher at the Volcani Agricultural Study Centre. Her work — which is being copied by botanists abroad — helped the Israeli flower exporting sector overcome problems that almost wiped out the industry.

• Ehud Pines, production manager at the Zaytay Hagali Company of Tiberias. Pines' expertise in the preserved olive trade has

led him to develop processes that result not only in considerable water conservation but also in improving the ecological balance around industrial plants that feed effluence into nearby water sources. He has developed methods of recycling brine and caustic soda solutions to the point where there is an annual savings of 60 per cent of the company's normal water consumption.

• GIBIM Systems Ltd. of Sede Warburg. This 10-person moshav-based firm has contributed greatly to Israel's exports by furnishing sophisticated production and assembly machinery, as well as control equipment, to manufacturing companies engaged in export.

• Robert Amit, project manager for Osem Food Products Company. Amit designed Osem's new production facility in Patah Tikva, where his ideas regarding use of automated, computer-controlled elevators and conveyor systems not only reduced storage space requirements by 50 per cent but also boosted worker productivity very substantially.

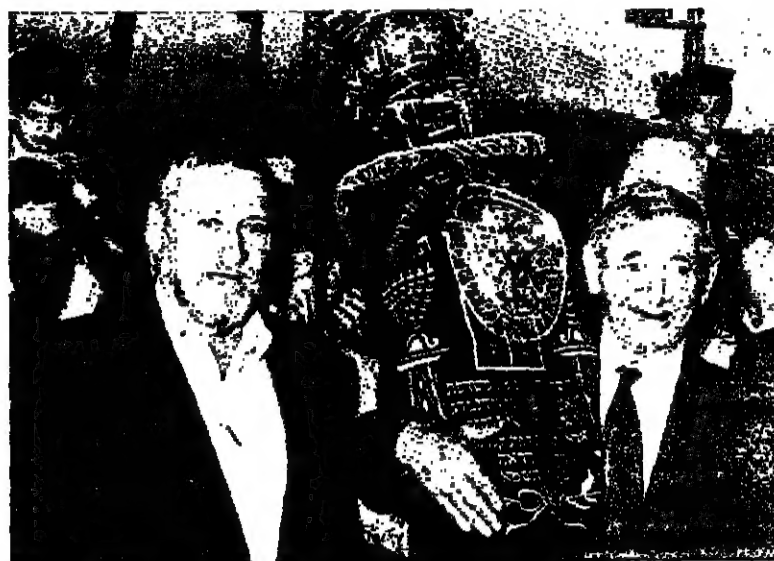
• Dead Sea Pericase Company. The firm is now producing the highest quality magnesium-pericase oxide in the world, thanks to a modern production technique it has developed. Despite technical

obstacles it faced in its early years, the company has gradually improved its output and at the same time has succeeded in reducing energy consumption: electricity per ton produced has been cut by half, and per-ton gas consumption by 20 per cent.

• The Zukit project team of Israel Aircraft Industries. This team successfully planned and executed development of the Zukit training plane by adapting obsolete Fuga CM-170 craft for this purpose.

• The Tibam development group of Israel Aircraft Industries. Headed by Dr. Dror Ben-David, this team has set the pace for all organizations in Israel engaged in computerizing production planning in industrial plants. Thousands of labour hours are now being saved each month in Israeli factories, and worker productivity levels have soared thanks to the pioneering work of Tibam (a Hebrew acronym for "planning and production with the aid of computers").

Approximately 85 Israeli and foreign experts in the fields of business administration, production, labour relations and similar subjects will participate in the four days of the Kaplan Prize observances preceding the award ceremony on Wednesday.



Anton Beck (right) of Freudenberg, Germany, holds a Tora scroll which he rescued from destruction and kept hidden after the Nazi attack on Jews and their property during Kristallnacht, the "night of broken glass," on November 9-10, 1938, in Germany and Austria. Alongside him is Yosef Kellerman of Kfar Haro'eh, who received the scroll from Beck and presented it to the synagogue in Kedumim during a ceremony earlier this week. (IPPA)

Local hotels are bursting at the seams

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Jerusalem and Tel Aviv hotels are completely full, and for the past week, even VIPs have been unable to obtain rooms.

Tourism circles said that such a flood of tourists in Jerusalem has not been seen in several years. Apart from individual tourists, Jerusalem's streets and tourism sites are filled with Christian groups attending conventions and delegates to international conferences.

Every evening, buses filled with tourists drive from one hotel to another in search of rooms. A delegation of Israel Bond Organization supporters who were booked in one Jerusalem hotel found that due to overbooking, they had to split up among five different hotels.

Non-Jerusalemite ministers and Knesset members who usually stay overnight in the capital have had to travel home every night this week.

No damage in grenade blast at Gilo entrance

A hand grenade exploded early yesterday morning at the Hebron Road junction entrance to the Jerusalem suburb of Gilo. There were no injuries or damage caused by the blast, which police believe was an act of terrorism.

A motorist reported to police at about 1 a.m. that, shortly before he was driving into Gilo at the junction, he saw a flash and heard a dim sound of an explosion.

Police found a small crater caused by the explosion at the side of the road. (Itim).

Three Lebanese women, two married to Israelis, deported

By YOEL DAR

Special to The Jerusalem Post
ROSH HANIKRA. — Three Lebanese women, aged 19 to 34, were deported to their homes in south Lebanon this week because their visas had expired. Two of the three had recently married Israeli Arabs, and the third was engaged to be married soon.

Officials dealing with Arab affairs said the deportations were intended to deter Lebanese women from coming here and arranging marriages of convenience to obtain permission to stay in the country.

Reliable sources at the Interior Ministry claim that since the start of the Lebanon war 17 months ago, some 500 Lebanese women have

married Israeli Arabs. The majority of them are still living here without official permits. According to these sources, more and more Lebanese Christian women are marrying — not only Moslem and Druse as was initially the case.

The marriages began three to four months after the fighting ended in south Lebanon and west Beirut. Druse and Beduin Israel Defence Forces soldiers serving in Lebanon started going out with local women. Some married and brought their wives home to Israel. The authorities issued the brides papers without difficulties.

Soon, other Israeli Arabs, not serving in the army, started looking for brides across the border and

"talent scouts" made trips to Lebanon, mainly to refugee camps, bride hunting for a fee.

After the Israeli authorities restricted entry into Lebanon for security reasons, Lebanese women started crossing the border to look for grooms in Israel, among relatives or family friends.

The permits allow them to stay seven days, with a week long extension possible. But many do not comply with the rules and stay for months. They surface at the Interior Ministry only after they are married and in some cases only when pregnant.

According to Arab sources, not

all applicants are given permanent residence, and in western Galilee villages, there are at least 40 such married women without valid papers.

The prime minister's adviser on Arab affairs Binyamin Gur-Arye said the authorities are studying the problem carefully. He estimated the number of Lebanese women in the country illegally at only several dozen.

Arab dignitaries expressed their "astonishment" at the government's limiting marital connections between Israeli Arabs and Lebanese women. "Those who want open and free trade with Lebanon must take marriage into consideration," one said.

Ramat Hovav toxic wastes disposal approved

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — The 10,000 tons of toxic wastes accumulated at the national disposal site at Ramat Hovav 12 kilometres south of here, will be buried within three months, Danny Ne'eman, chief engineer of the government company Mivnei Ta'asiya, said in an interview yesterday.

The dangerous industrial wastes at the site, which has been closed by

court order since a fire in April, 1982, will first be classified according to components, then properly buried either in earth or in cement, Ne'eman said.

The move was finally authorized earlier this week after the regional planning commission rejected a previous, incomplete plan. On December 1, management of the site will be taken over by a local contractor.

Mother, son electrocuted by washing machine

GAZA (Itim). — A mother and son were electrocuted yesterday apparently during improper use of a washing machine.

The charred bodies of Rashida Abu Zor, 35, and her 1½-year-old

son were brought to the government hospital here yesterday morning, where an examination revealed that death had been caused by electrocution.

(Itim).

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Maronites seek assistance for brethren in Lebanon

By AARON SITTNER

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Three leaders of an international organization of Maronite Christians have appealed for "understanding and assistance from Israel" in the Lebanese Christians' dispute with the Druse.

"Deir al-Kamar must not become another Auschwitz," Sheikh Amine Awad, president of the World Maronite Union, told reporters in Jerusalem earlier this week. He was referring to the Christian town in the Shouf mountains under siege by Druse forces.

He added: "Lebanon's existence is at stake. Israelis, whose own

history includes periods of struggle and persecution, can understand the situation Lebanese Christians are now facing. Therefore you have a big role to play in restoring peace and tranquility to Lebanon."

The organization's secretary-general, Simon Khoury, said the World Maronite Union represents six million Maronites living in 63 countries, including Israel. The largest concentrations are in Brazil (one million), and the U.S. (1.5 million) and Lebanon (one million). "We are grateful for all you have done for us in the past, and now appeal for more of your help," Khoury asserted. "We need all types of assistance, including diplomatic support."

Khoury, Awad and the organization's vice-president Dr. Farid Mattar, are spending their week-long visit in Israel meeting with leaders in whatever activities you are engaged in. It should save you manpower, time, errors, expenses and headaches. It should make your business more efficient, return your investment within one year, and earn you money.

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TEL AVIV (Itim). — Three hundred people demonstrated yesterday outside the Finnish Embassy here in protest against the sentence a Soviet court passed on Yosef Begun earlier this week.

Finland represents Soviet interests in Israel in the absence of diplomatic ties with Moscow. Begun was given seven years in jail and five years exile for teaching

Hebrew and requesting an exit visa for immigration to Israel.

Begun's son, Barak, told the assembly that his father's problem is that of all Soviet Jews and of world Jewry. He said that demonstrators like these could save his father and Soviet Jewry.

The demonstration dispersed after Barak Begun led a delegation presenting a petition calling for his father's release.

Shamir unlikely to help Koflowitz retain job

By JUDY SIEGEL

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is unlikely to help Jewish Agency aliyah department chairman Raphael Koflowitz stay in his job by putting pressure on American members of the Agency board of governors, The Jerusalem Post has learned.

Shamir met for an hour this week with five Herut activists in the agency, including Koflowitz and department chairmen Eli Tavin and Matityahu Drobless. The group informed him of the intentions of the American board members to oust Koflowitz and asked him to intervene.

Shamir reportedly told them that he had too many national worries to deal with as a new premier, and said that if it were the vote on Koflowitz — scheduled for the end of next week — were postponed, he may be able to study the matter. Shamir is reluctant to alienate American Jewish leaders so soon after taking office.

Shamir's predecessor, Menachem Begin, was actively involved in the effort to "save" Koflowitz, an old Herut friend, who has been criticized by the American board members for years for being "unable to communicate with Diaspora Jewry."

Kollek meets industrialists

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some of Israel's top industrialists came to Jerusalem this week and talked to Mayor Teddy Kollek about the chances of attracting more high-technology industry to the city.

Eli Hurwitz, chairman of the Manufacturers Association, led the delegation of industrialists. Kollek told them that he wants to create 5,000 industrial jobs in the capital within the next two years. Hurwitz said that Jerusalem manpower has in general proved itself both stable and diligent, but the city needs another industrial area for the factories that will create the jobs Kollek wants.

Kollek told Hurwitz that in the last few days, work has started on preparing the infrastructure of a 800-dunam industrial park near Mevasseret Zion, on the road to Tel Aviv.

RUBBER CHEQUES. — Beersheba Ya'acov Shklier, 33, was yesterday given a five-month jail sentence and a five-month suspended sentence by the Beersheba Magistrates Court for passing bad cheques. He has already been found guilty of committing the same offence 13 previous times.

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Reagan 'will not delay' deployment of missiles

WASHINGTON (AP). — U.S. President Ronald Reagan has vowed that the U.S. will install nuclear missiles on European soil even if the Soviets walk out of arms talks in protest.

"We're going to deploy and deploy on schedule," he said Wednesday night in a nationally televised press conference. If the Kremlin negotiators leave Geneva, Reagan said, "we will just wait at the table, and I think they will come back."

Reagan ruled out any delay in the installation late this year of the first of 572 cruise and Pershing-2 missiles in Europe. The president acknowledged that the Soviets may leave the bargaining table, but said he remains hopeful that an arms accord can be signed before his first term ends in early 1985.

Moscow's chief delegate at U.S.-Soviet talks on limiting nuclear missile forces in Europe said in Geneva yesterday the negotiations had no

prospect for success, though they would continue for the time being.

Asked whether Moscow would abandon the talks, Soviet delegation head Yuri Kvisinsky replied: "We will keep talking as long as it is necessary, as long as there are prospects."

Asked what the prospects were, he told reporters: "There are none."

Warsaw Pact defence ministers met yesterday in East Berlin, apparently aiming at a response to NATO's plans to go ahead with the deployment of new nuclear missiles.

In Stuttgart, West Germany, meanwhile, the U.S. Army quietly began dismantling old nuclear missiles to make way for new ones. While denying that the steps being taken mean deployment is inevitable, sources said the army must prepare for the possibility.

"Preparations are now under way for fielding the Pershing-25," said one of the sources.

Walesa not going to Oslo

OSLO (AP). — Lech Walesa was quoted yesterday by a Norwegian newspaper as saying in Gdansk that he is not going to Norway for the Nobel Peace Prize award ceremony on December 10.

The leader of the banned Polish Solidarity trade union was awarded the 1983 prize on October 5. Walesa, who was interviewed last Sunday by *Stavanger Aftenblad* in his apartment in Gdansk, was quoted as saying:

"I'm not going to Norway to pick up the peace prize as long as my friends and members of Solidarity are imprisoned. I feel it to be my

duty to stay in Poland and fight for their cause."

The committee has invited Walesa and his wife to the traditional award ceremony but has not received a reply, said Jacob Sverdrup, the committee's secretary.

The daily newspaper quoted Walesa as saying his wife Danuta might be able to go to Oslo, but he said no final decision has been made.

"I should have liked to go to Oslo myself, by the situation in my own country is so difficult that it would be wrong to go."

U.S. churches in row over homosexuals

LOS ANGELES (AP). — A Greek Orthodox archbishop warns that nine Eastern churches will secede from the U.S. National Council of Churches if it accepts homosexual congregations.

It is "inconceivable" to Orthodox bishops that the council is considering the membership of the Hollywood-based Metropolitan

Community Churches. Archbishop Iakovos said. The Metropolitan fold consists of 148 U.S. congregations with 27,000 members, mostly homosexual men and lesbians.

"They are completely un-Christian and contrary to accepted Christian ecclesiology," Iakovos, 72, told the 31-denomination National Council of Churches.

U.S. to have Martin Luther King holiday

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Senate passed and sent President Ronald Reagan on Wednesday a bill establishing a national holiday in memory of Martin Luther King, Jr. That honour has been accorded only one other American, George Washington.

The vote was 78-22.

Reagan has promised to sign the bill, which designates the third Monday in January, starting in 1986, as a legal holiday in King's name. Final congressional action, sought for years, came more than 15

years after the civil rights leader was assassinated.

King's widow Coretta and his son Martin III, watched from the Senate gallery as the climactic roll call was taken.

Sen. Edward Kennedy told the Senate that King "deserves the place which this legislation gives him beside Washington and Columbus. In a very real sense, he was the second father of our country, the second founder of a new world that is not only a place, a piece of geography, but a noble set of ideals."

North Korean ruler made secret visit to Peking

PEKING. — North Korean ruler Kim Il Sung paid a secret visit to China last August and conferred with Deng Xiaoping about Sino-Korean relations, foreign diplomatic sources said yesterday.

Details of their meeting at the seaside resort of Dalian were not known.

The reclusive Kim, the object of a personality cult in North Korea, paid an official visit to China in September 1982, and was received with fanfare despite China's criticism of the cult that grew up around its late leader, Mao Tse-tung.

Kim Jong Il, Kim's son and heir

apparent, also paid a secret visit to China in July 1983 as China gave its official recognition to the North Korean Communist dynasty.

China is believed to want better relations with South Korea, but not at the risk of alienating its North Korean ally.

In what may be a related development, the U.S. has asked China to open a dialogue with South Korea as a means of easing tensions on the Korean peninsula, diplomatic sources and South Korean officials said in Seoul yesterday. They said the request was made last month, but that Peking's response was not yet known. (AP, Reuter)

Frenchman suffers from passion-killing soup

BOUILLON DANS L'ORNE, France (Reuter). — French forestry worker Gaetan Le Guillou was bewildered when his doctor diagnosed an overdose of drugs after he complained of dizzy spells.

Then he realized his favourite dish, his wife's home-made soup, had a curious smell. Last weekend his children called in the police, and

Mrs. Le Guillou confessed that her recipe had included tranquillizers to cool the romantic ardour of her 53-year-old husband.

She now faces a maximum of five years in prison and an 8,000 franc (152,000) fine for administering harmful substances, justice officials said.

Peking's dogs get one-month reprieve

PEKING (Reuter). — Municipal authorities have given the city's 400,000 unregistered dogs a one-month reprieve from slaughter — to enable their owners to bring in the autumn cabbage harvest.

According to a Public Health Bureau official quoted by the *Peking Daily*, owners now have until the end of November to "handle the problem themselves," either by selling their pets to a peasant in the countryside or by having them destroyed.

A total ban on unregistered dog-owning in the capital and its sprawling suburbs will take effect on December 1. Citizens flouting it will

be liable to a fine of up to 50 yuan (\$25), or almost a month's pay.

Dogs without registration papers by that date will be killed, the official added. He hinted that the average pet owner would find it very hard to obtain the documents.

Ten days ago, the *Peking Daily* published a city edict ordering people with dogs to destroy or otherwise dispose of them by the end of October. But the Public Health official said the deadline was extended for a month, "since the city will be concentrating its energies on receiving and transporting cabbage."

Missing is screened as Argentina loosens censorship

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — The outgoing military regime's censors have sheathed their scissors, editors have grown bold, and the public is reveling in a presentation of formerly taboo scandal, sex and violence.

They call it a *destape* — lifting of the lid — that has accompanied the transition to civilian rule following more than seven years of prudish and messianic dictatorship.

The generals have scheduled elections for October 30 and the transfer of power to elected authorities for January 30, 1984.

The authorization and premiere of the internationally acclaimed 1982 Costa Gavras film *Missing* in September is perhaps the most dramatic evidence that the armed forces have relinquished their mandate for "protecting" public sensibility, and that virtually any theme is open to treatment.

The film's Spanish title is *Desaparecido* — a word well-known here which has blackened the country's reputation. The Oscar-winning movie tells the story of a left-leaning American journalist's abduction and murder by the armed forces that overthrew neighbouring Chile's socialist government in 1973.

Human rights organizations here blame security forces for the kidnapping, torture and summary execution of more than 10,000 suspected leftists during the repression of guerrilla violence in the 1970s.

The Classification Entity, as the movie censorship panel is known, has recently approved uncensored versions of such long-prohibited films as Lilianna Cavani's *The Night Porter* and Lina Wertmüller's *Sweet Away*.

Their public screening was authorized despite the entity's charter, which decrees the prohibition of any film or part thereof "that justifies adultery or conspires against matrimony and the family... that justifies sexual perversion... that presents lascivious scenes... that justifies crime... or that compromises national security or harms the fundamental interests of the state."

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Missile plans litter Paris

PARIS (Reuter). — Secret plans for new missiles to equip France's sixth nuclear submarine were found by a passer-by on a Paris street, *France-Soir* reported yesterday.

French domestic intelligence and Defence Ministry officials declined any comment on the report.

A spokesman for Aerospatiale, the state-owned manufacturer of the missiles, could not confirm that the plans had gone astray, but said "no serious consequences" would result if they had indeed been lost.

France-Soir said documents labelled "confidential-defence" and carrying statistical test results for French M-4 nuclear missiles had been thrown from a car window in a Paris neighbourhood on September 6.

The unsourced report in the mass-circulation daily said the packet of documents landed near the feet of a passer-by who took them to security officials.

Aerospatiale had sent the 350-page dossier by registered post to Rear-Admiral Jean-Lucien Royer, second-in-command of the Oceanic

Strategic Forces until last July, *France-Soir* said.

The Aerospatiale spokesman said it is normal procedure to send certain types of documents relating to defence as registered mail.

A spokesman for the forces said it is routine for arms manufacturers to send working plans to individuals in the military, but did not say why in this case they had been addressed to a retired officer.

France-Soir said the dossier contained 40 pages of diagrams for the missiles which are to be carried by the nuclear submarine *Inflexible* in 1985. They will also replace the missiles on France's five other nuclear submarines.

The M-4s are advanced thermonuclear missiles with a range of more than 4,000 kilometres.

SEOUL — South Korean President Chun Doo Hwan issued what he termed a "stern warning" to North Korea yesterday, declaring that another action such as the terrorist bomb blast in Burma on October 9 would bring strong retaliation.

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French arrest Spanish police for kidnapping

PARIS (Reuter). — Four Spanish policemen have been arrested in a French border town while trying to kidnap a militant Basque separatist.

French Police said Wednesday.

They said the officers would be brought before an examining magistrate in Bayonne following the incident in Hendaye, about one kilometre from the Spanish border.

The Spanish police grabbed a Spanish Basque who had taken refuge in France and tried to force him into their car.

At that moment, a French border police patrol arrived and arrested the Spanish officers.

8th day of anti-missile protests in W. Germany

BERLIN (AP). — Thousands of students left classrooms across West Germany yesterday to march in anti-nuclear missile protests, police said.

In the eighth day of nationwide demonstrations against the deployment of new U.S. nuclear missiles here, students and teachers stopped their school work for a few minutes or the entire day in protest.

The biggest demonstrations were reported in West Berlin, where 15,000 students and teachers left class to form human chains around school buildings and to march through the streets, causing large traffic jams, protest organizers said.

Reagan plan to 'punish' foreign firms hurt

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. House of Representatives voted 215 to 199 on Wednesday against President Ronald Reagan's power to punish businesses in other countries by shutting off sources of U.S. goods if the company acts against American foreign policy.

The vote was only on one amendment to a bill, only in the House, and there will be other tests before it and the Senate agree on legislation. But it indicated hostility to allowing the president this "extraterritorial" power, which has been much criticized by U.S. allies.

Rebels take Nicaraguan town, kill 32

MANAGUA (AP). — Anti-Sandinista rebels seized a town 160 kilometres north of Managua, killed 32 civilians and soldiers and destroyed \$5 million worth of property, the government said yesterday.

Wednesday's attack on Pantasma, in Jinotega Province, lasted only a few hours, but a 300-man insurgent force killed 32 soldiers and civilians, including teachers, robbed \$80,000 from the local bank, destroyed eight tractors and burned seven grain silos and other buildings, a Sandinista government spokesman said.

Indian police seize arms from Sikh rebels

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — Police have arrested at least eight people and seized a large quantity of arms during raids on extremist hideouts in the troubled north Indian state of Punjab, the Press Trust of India news agency reported yesterday.

Raids on eight villages around the Sikh holy city of Amritsar were the first since the state was placed under direct rule from Delhi two weeks ago, after Sikh extremists shot dead eight Hindus.

They followed a series of bombings, killings and clashes in north India since the beginning of the month, which have left at least 22 people dead and 80 injured.

Police and army units sent to Punjab have been given sweeping powers to search, arrest and shoot on sight, in a bid to end unrest arising from a militant Sikh campaign for greater autonomy in the state.

Craters charted at north pole of Venus

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet space probe Venera-15 has made the first radar survey of the north polar region of Venus and found a region of craters, fractures and mountain regions up to two kilometres high, the Soviet news service Tass reported on Wednesday.

The news agency called the radar survey, conducted on Sunday over a million square kilometres, "a major success in the exploration of planets of the solar system."

In 1979, the U.S. launched a pioneer Venus probe that mapped 93 per cent of the surface with radar, but the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said the polar regions were not included.

Sports

Stars eclipsed

LONDON (Reuter). — Liverpool and Hamburg may have made it hard for themselves to get their names on the European Soccer Cup again.

Liverpool, which have won the trophy three times in the past seven seasons, failed to score on their own Anfield pitch last night and left themselves a hard task for the return against formidable Athletic Bilbao in Spain.

Hamburg, the defending champions, had a bye in the first round and must wish they could have taken another through the second after succumbing 3-0 to Dinamo Bucharest in Rumania.

Aston Villa, the 1982 European Cup winners, drew 2-2 against Spartak Moscow in the Soviet Union, took Moscow in the Soviet Union, and Vladimir Lyakhov, who watched the game live on television in the Salyut-7 space station.

Manchester United, Tottenham Hotspur and Nottingham Forest all won.

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European Cup of Cup Winners
Ujpest Doros 3, Cologne 1; Beeren 0, Aberdeen 0; Hammarby 1, Valkeakosken Haka 1; Glasgow Rangers 2, Porto 1; Spartak Varna 1, Manchester United 2.

UEFA Cup
Sparta Rotterdam 3, Carl Zeiss Jena 2; Eintracht Frankfurt 1, Nottingham Forest 2; Anderlecht 2, Beşiktaş 0; Hoved Budapest 3, Helsingfors 1; Tottenham Hotspur 4, Feyenoord 2; Watford 1, Sparta Sofia 1; Radnicki 4, later Bratislava 0; Salomika 0, Bayern Munich 0; Groningen 2, Inter Milan 0.

Rakefet's feat

By JACK LEON
Post Sports Reporter

ASHKELOON. — Unseeded Rakefet Binyamini of Israel yesterday pulled off a career-best victory by beating No. 1 seed Tina Scheur-Larsen of Denmark, 6-3, 6-1, in the quarter-final of the Israel Tennis Association's Gali women's pro tournament here.

But Sagit Doron's fine effort came to an end when she went down 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 to Sweden's Stina Almgren.

When play starts today at 1 p.m., Binyamini will face Sweden's Maria Lindstrom, seeded No. 7, who vanquished German teenage star Regina Wieser, 6-3, 6-2. In the fourth quarter-final, German Isabel Cueto was compelled to withdraw because of indisposition when trailing France's Isabelle Demongeot, 4.

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Recent changes won't help. We have to open up an entirely new page in the government's performance, and for that we need a new finance minister... (Yigal Cohen-Orgad, The Jerusalem Post, September 12, 1979.)

THE LIKUD and the Israeli economy have been through two new finance ministers since Yigal Cohen-Orgad gave up on Simha Ehrlich. It turns out that new ministers and new pages can be just as bad as the old ones. Yoram Aridor's page had disaster (or was it black comedy?) printed on it in large script — but we were all too busy watching our videos to notice.

Now it is the turn of Cohen-Orgad, the perennial Herut economic whiz-kid who this week became Israel's latest finance minister.

Were success in the hot seat merely a question of knowing the theory, Cohen-Orgad would appear to be the perfect choice. He is generally regarded as being the Likud's top economist, if not the leading economic thinker in the Knesset. At 46, he is still young and vigorous, and he has a wealth of practical financial and business experience.

The main thrust of his philosophy (tighten, cut and tighten again) is acceptable to a broad spectrum of the country's politicians, though many differ sharply with him over implementation.

But being a successful finance minister — especially in the post-Aridor climate — demands more than just knowledge. It demands, as Cohen-Orgad said in reference to Ehrlich, "consistency and leadership" — and Cohen-Orgad is a rookie minister.

He has been catapulted into a position of *de facto* seniority over veteran ministers, many of whom regard their portfolios as personal fiefdoms, to be defended against any encroachment. The new finance minister, if he is to be true to his repeated calls to cut the state budget, is going to have to do a lot of encroaching.

THE PROSPECT was reportedly sufficiently daunting to deter even David Levy, arguably the most popular politician in the country, from taking on the job. Like others before him, the new minister could find his leadership shattered against the rock of cabinet partisan interests.

Certainly, Cohen-Orgad has been true to the first part of his injunction — in the course of his Knesset career, he has been remarkably consistent. Since he first entered the Knesset in 1977, he has missed few opportunities to call for a radical break with the blanket welfareism of the Labour era. In interview after interview, statement after statement, he championed a programme of self-help, efficiency and welfare only for those who need it.

Such thinking is a departure for the Likud. It is neither the business-like capitalism of the Liberals nor the *dolce vita* populism of Aridor. It combines the spartan approach of Yigael Hurvitz with a populist appeal to the lower-income groups.

Cohen-Orgad is always very careful to point out that the burden of the changes he prescribes will fall mainly on the higher-income brackets. If he is at all successful in putting his policy where his mouth is, many of us will be putting those videos in hock to pay for health care and education.

COHEN-ORGAD has declined to be interviewed by the press since he was summoned centre-stage this week. But he was not always so retiring.

As the Likud's most vocal and consistent internal critic of economic matters, his views have been widely covered.

His highly-publicized campaign against Aridor's policies last July was, perhaps, the beginning of the end for his hapless predecessor.

Even a cursory glance through past interviews reveals one dominant refrain at the heart of Cohen-Orgad's personal, political and economic philosophies: Israel must do all it can to reduce its dependence on foreign aid, which, by definition, means U.S. aid.

The point is repeated time and again: it is the nexus of his nationalist politics and his austere approach to economics.

In his view, the greater the foreign debt and the balance of payments deficit, the more dependent Israel is on the U.S. Israeli dependency means the likelihood of American pressure for political concessions — and concessions are anathema to a man who voted against the Camp David accords and lives in this West Bank settlement of Ariel.

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It is probably safe to assume that Cohen-Orgad is just as unwilling today to see a crippling Israeli dependence on U.S. aid. To reduce the balance of payments deficit, he will most likely halt subsidies for imports and attempt to reduce the amount of money at the public's disposal. Those who can afford it will have to pay more for staples, health care and education under a Cohen-Orgad regime. His aim, he said in an interview with *Ha'aretz* newspaper last July, is to reduce the balance of payments deficit to \$1 billion annually.

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At the time of Aridor's departure, the former finance minister was embroiled in a struggle with Defence Minister Moshe Arens on the matter, with the Treasury reportedly having proposed that Israel receive \$425 million less than the pending \$1.7 billion in military aid, but that the entire sum be in the form of a grant rather than half in grants and half in loans.

Arens is opposed to the proposal, believing that it will lead to reduced military buying power. But it makes a lot of sense from the Treasury's knife-wielding point of view. Cohen-Orgad has previously said that he believes defence spending can be cut, but that he does not believe in the reduction of the dollar allocation for imported military hardware.

However Arens and Cohen-Orgad settle the dispute — possibly through a compromise involving payments for a larger shekel cut in defence expenditure — it is highly unlikely that the two will indulge in the squabble that was pending between Arens and Aridor.

Cohen-Orgad and Arens have been a Herut *shiduch* ever since the days when they fought a war of attrition against Aridor in Herut's Tel Aviv regional branch over the efforts by Aridor and other branch bosses to keep the two out in the cold.

When Cohen-Orgad launched his offensive against Aridor last July, it was widely speculated in Herut that he did so at Arens's instigation. Whether that was the case — and Cohen-Orgad has been a sufficiently consistent critic to deserve some credit for independent thinking — his swift ascent to the upper reaches undoubtedly strengthens Arens's hand in the post-Shamir prime ministerial stakes.

IN THE meantime, while Shamir is still around, Cohen-Orgad's arrival means a clean sweep in the top jobs for the anti-Camp David forces. Shamir, Arens and Cohen-Orgad all opposed the peace accord; as late as April last year, Cohen-Orgad called for a referendum to decide whether to complete the withdrawal from Sinai.

It is clear that the Egyptian government's attempts to maintain a distance from the peace will not be sympathetically received by the new team.

Cohen-Orgad will further strengthen the cabinet consensus on settlement. If such strengthening is needed.

He has consistently refused to include the settlement budget in his proposals for budget cuts, arguing that the \$25 billion (his figure) set aside for settlement is negligible when compared to the \$150 billion which needs to be cut. However, if only for form's sake, he said in a recent radio interview that settlement, like everything else, will come under review.

So, in which areas will Cohen-Orgad wield the knife? Probably in those on which Aridor concentrated, though with a marked difference in emphasis.

Where Aridor went for a blanket approach — across-the-board reductions or tax increases — Cohen-Orgad is likely to inflict the burden progressively. In a 1978 interview he said: "In general, cuts across the board are not the answer. The need to use resources as economically as possible sometimes necessitates an increase in outlay" — as in building creches so mothers can work.

Specifically, he can be expected to attempt to alter the subsidy structures for medical services (health funds) and universities.

He has said in the past that while the poor should continue to enjoy their current rate of medical-service subsidy, higher-income earners should have to cover a larger proportion of the expenses.

As for university education, he said in 1981: "Let his father foot the bill, not the taxpayer; and if he doesn't want to depend on daddy, then give him an interest-free, index-linked loan. But let him pay." COHEN-ORGAD was the only Likud MK to vote against the free high school education bill in 1978 — on the grounds that it would place the burden mainly on the middle-class taxpayer, whereas the wealthy parent gets off cheaply. His presence in the Finance Ministry may add impetus to recent calls for the provisions of the bill to be changed.

If Cohen-Orgad remains true to his principles, he is likely to call for a review of the economic measures taken by the cabinet shortly before Menachem Begin's resignation. Such a review is probably necessary anyway, as no one seems to know what went on at those chaotic cabinet meetings.

According to one insider's account, ministers lined up at the cabinet secretariat after the sessions to check in the protocol what had been decided.

Changes could come in unexpected places: He once suggested that all highway expenditure be cancelled and that improvements be financed by converting the highways into toll roads. On a more symbolic note, he has called for cutting down on the "conspicuous consumption of public money by people at the top," meaning, among other things, expense accounts and travel at the taxpayer's expense.

Cohen-Orgad denies that his proposals will mean higher taxes, though he has said that he will consider linking tax rates to the index twice a year only for those in the 45 to 60 per cent bracket. "I'm for cutting negative taxes. Everyone should pay more for the services they're getting, with the exception of the lower-income groups," he said three months ago.

While calling for radical "efficiency measures" throughout the public administration, he has denied that the corollary is sizeable unemployment. Instead, he points to the paradox of there being a lack of labourers while an increasing number of people are receiving unemployment benefits.

In a recent interview he said that

those unwilling to work should be denied unemployment compensation.

The sum of his thinking seems to be that all necessary manpower and resources should be directed to the productive sector to boost the country's industry.

JUDGING FROM past statements and actions, Cohen-Orgad will find the bail-out of the banks an unwelcome legacy. He has been a consistent opponent of the concentration of economic power in the hands of the banks, as well as of state subsidies for capital.

In 1981, he sponsored a bill requiring the banks to divest themselves of all their interests in confectionery, trade, industry and insurance. Back in 1978, he said that he would like to see the bank's dominance of the stock exchange

limited and their role in the mobilization of savings made more competitive.

Like finance ministers before him, Cohen-Orgad will have to temper his plans in the Histadrut furnace — and after the events of the past week, the Histadrut has smelled blood.

His past statements concerning the labour federation are distinctly ambiguous. He opposes official Histadrut wage policy — such as non-selective wage increases and automatic rises — but on the grounds that they benefit the higher wage earners. Workers' representatives can scarcely complain about that. He sees the Histadrut as a symbol of the *status quo* in all matters of social change and is known to have recommended Histadrut-busting in closed Herut forums.

Yet, in an interview with *The Post*

last July, he expressed the belief that the creation of a different social climate would influence the trade unions to "become more responsible." As justification for his confidence, he pointed to the early days of Yigael Hurvitz's tenure, when "the unions agreed to a low ceiling of compensation."

WHETHER ANY change in climate will induce the Histadrut to accept a revision of the cost of living increment agreement is a moot point. Certainly, recent Histadrut statements indicate wide divergence from his view that "if you index-link everything and everybody, you leave yourself no weapon to fight inflation with. I say: Link the poor totally, but link the better-off only partially."

That could be the nub of the coming battle: Cohen-Orgad's insistence that inflation cannot be combated without dismantling the indexation system versus the Histadrut's stand that the workers must be compensated for the ravages of inflation.

If Cohen-Orgad manages to cut the budget and reduce liquidity, the ball will be in the Histadrut's court; it will have to demonstrate a national responsibility beyond the mere guardianship of workers' wages.

IF ANYONE on the Likud team is qualified to wage that battle, it is Yigal Cohen-Orgad. He is very bright (some say brilliant), hard-working (the mammoth Sinai settlers compensation law was almost entirely his work), and he has staked out an independent position on most economic issues.

Granted, there is a good deal of ambiguity attached to his positions — descriptions range from "populist" to "militantly right-wing" — but that may work in his favour in the early stages.

He is respected, but not particularly well-liked by his colleagues, and his active business life while an MK has aroused criticism for possible conflict of interest. Presumably, those enterprises that he continued to nourish while a mere MK — such as the chairmanship of Eitam, a firm raising investment capital for science-based industries in the West Bank — will have to be forfeited now.

In an interview soon after he voted against the Camp David accords, Cohen-Orgad described himself as "a realist obliged to confront short-sighted *petit bourgeois* caught up in the mystique of instant peace. They want peace here and now, like my children want toys right away."

His vote is a matter of history, but his new job may prove to be a humbling experience: He cannot, surely, continue to regard the public as mere children, and their desire for financial security as nothing more than a demand for instant toys.



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YITZHAK SHAMIR did not seriously threaten to resign this week when faced with the prospect of a Liberal Party rebellion because he chose Herut's Yigal Cohen-Orgad to be finance minister instead of one of the Liberal hopefuls. Shamir merely sought to impress upon the unruly Liberals that there is now a new tough boss around.

Gone are the days of the gentlemanly, and sometimes very conciliatory and pliable, Menachem Begin. The new boss has no patience for their petty antics. There are plenty of versions of what Shamir actually told the delegation of three Liberal ministers — Sara Doron, Moshe Nissim and Gideon Patt — who attempted to dissuade him from appointing Cohen-Orgad. All of them suggest that the prime minister conveyed a very harsh message, telling them in so many words to save their breath. "There is no point in your trying to get me to change my mind. I take my time to study a situation, but once I reach a decision, that's that. My decision is final," he said matter-of-factly, according to one of the trio.

That Liberal minister told *The Jerusalem Post* that when the delegation tried "the gentlest hint of pressure," Shamir left them in no doubt. He said: "You can't scare me. I won't be frightened. I am not afraid of going to the president if need be." That was all it took to douse the Liberals' ardour for rebellion. Political analysts were quick to note a 1-0 score in Shamir's favour in the first confrontation between the new premier and the Likud's perennial troublemakers.

BUT THINGS are not so simple, either for Shamir or the Liberals. It is often said that the only thing predictable about the Liberal Party is its total unpredictability. This cannot instill much hope in the heart of a new prime minister whose government faced a severe crisis before it was even sworn in.

The government's life expectancy cannot be rated as exceptionally high when it has only a slender parliamentary majority and the ruling party contains so sizeable and unstable an element as the Liberal Party, with its seemingly boundless capacity for intrigue and discord. Whether that party's official death certificate is formally signed in the near future or not, it is now an undeniable political fact that the Liberal Party is no longer a unified entity. It has splintered in several directions and may continue to break up even further in a final, wrenching and unbridled round of internecine blood-letting. The real question now is whether the final death throes of the Liberal Party could shake the Likud to the point of bringing down the government.

SHAMIR is painfully aware of his

government's very soft Liberal underbelly. He would have liked to quell the Liberal unrest by handing the Treasury to a Liberal. But he knew all too well that rather than solving the problem, this step might only be dropping a match in the Liberal tinderbox. As much as Liberal politicians crave prestigious positions for themselves, they seem to find even greater enjoyment in denying them to fellow Liberals. Rivalries in that strife-torn party are so personal and intense that a war of everyone against everyone can be triggered by the slightest change in the status quo.

Shamir did the only thing he could do in order to avoid becoming the target of the inexhaustible booby-traps and surprises always forthcoming from the Liberals. He let them stew in their own juices. The coveted prize would be theirs, he announced, if all 17 Liberal MKs would together nominate one candidate. No one, of course, could expect the Liberals to make up their collective mind and agree on anything.

Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i has had his eye on the Treasury for a long time, but his rival, Trade Minister Gideon Patt, realized that such a promotion would also boost Moda'i's aspirations for the Liberal Party leadership, which has not been filled since the death last June of Simha Ehrlich.

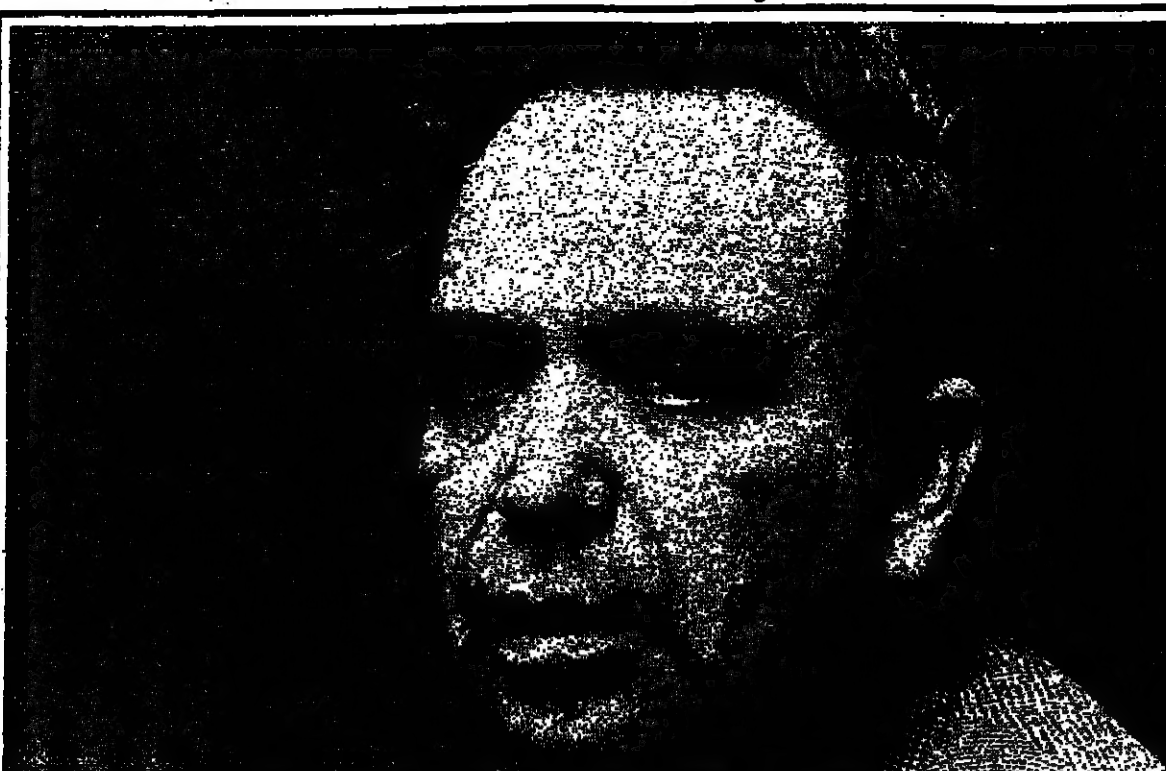
According to Liberal sources, the feuding Liberal camps were energetically putting spokes in each other's plans.

Some sources say that former head of the Bar Association, Amnon Goldenberg, had to be summoned to mediate between Patt and Moda'i. The deal he worked out was that Shamir should choose between the two, on the understanding that the one who did not get the Treasury portfolio would get Industry and Trade. But even Moda'i and Patt, with all their combined strength, could not guarantee the absolute unity of 17 Liberal MKs, which Shamir demanded.

While the ministers were seeking a *modus vivendi*, the Liberals' new gang of four — comprising Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor, and MKs Yitzhak Berman, Dror Zeigerman and Dan Tichon — made it clear that they would not be part of any deal. And they seized the opportunity to press their demand for recognition as a separate faction within the Likud confederation of parties.

As things stand, only semantics separate the group from independent status outside the Liberal framework. The rebellious four were demonstratively absent from all recent Liberal deliberations. Even in the unlikely event of Patt and Moda'i burying the hatchet, they can only speak for 13 MKs.

Post Political Sarah Honig describes the decline and fall of the Liberal Party.



Gideon Patt (above), Yitzhak Moda'i...a knock-out blow.

(Karen Ben-Zion, Aliza Auerbach)

The party's over



THE LIBERAL PARTY is still reverberating with mutual recriminations on how it let the finance portfolio pass into Herut hands yet again. Anyone willing to lend an ear to Liberal insiders these days can hear an astonishing variety of explanations about who perpetrated the political sabotage,

how, why and against whom.

Though all this makes for juicy gossip, the details are irrelevant. The fact is that while the Liberals were squabbling, they managed to deliver a knock-out blow to themselves.

All this is bound to aggravate the factional animosities that already

exist in the party. It is clear to all groupings that the Liberal Humpty Dumpty is not likely to be put together again.

The Liberal Party can no longer ensure the political futures of its politicians, and this insecurity is deepened by the departure from Likud politics of Menachem Begin.

The Liberals helped Begin out of the political wilderness in 1965 when they struck a partnership with Herut by signing the Gahal agreement. Begin never forgot this and his sense of honour and personal friendship for Ehrlich turned the Herut leader into the most reliable guardian of the fractious Liberals.

He, too, was frequently annoyed and mystified by the constant dissent in the baffling Liberal arena. Herut is an ideological party with a distinct credo and long-range goals. In the Liberal Party, ideology was never more than skin-deep and the party was, in fact, an aggregate of ambitious individuals who banded together and then broke up over narrow and private interests.

Initially, Herut was bemused by its mischievous partner. But the attitude had long ago changed to disdain. Herut had brought the overwhelming majority of votes that got the Likud its Knesset representation.

But the Liberals, after being all but concealed from the voters' view in the 1981 campaign, managed to emerge with many times the Knesset seats which the party could ever have hoped to win on its own. In Herut today, there is little love lost for the Gahal agreement, which determines the ratio between Herut and Liberal MKs.

WITH BOTH Begin and Ehrlich out of the political picture, the Liberals now fear that Herut might seek to amend the Gahal agreement before the next elections, either cutting the Liberals down to their diminutive natural size or tearing up the agreement altogether.

The Liberals know they are perceived by Herut as freeloaders, troublemakers and potential traitors. Shamir joined the Likud only in 1970 and is not sentimental about the Gahal agreement, even if he cannot afford to dump the Liberals now.

But the Liberal Party can hardly be expected to die quietly, especially as yet another cabinet reshuffle is in the offing. Shamir still has to dispose of his foreign affairs portfolio. Sources in Herut close to Deputy Prime Minister David Levy say their man is already assured of the job. When he and Shamir vied for the premiership, they disclosed, they agreed that the loser would have his pick of vacated cabinet portfolios.

Levy needs the experience and the gloss of international politics if he is to make another bid for primacy in Herut. His rivals may wish to avoid enhancing his stature even further, but they will be hard put to turn the portfolio over to a Liberal, because at least two Liberals — Savidor and Moda'i — are already competing for the post. Savidor may well claim the portfolio in the name of a new faction, which he could argue is not

represented in the cabinet. The reactions of either candidate in case of a loss cannot be predicted, all of which cannot add to the coalition's strength.

Of course, as things stand now it is still far from certain that the new Shamir government can even take its survival for granted for the next three months, when the Foreign Ministry is to come up for grabs. The new finance minister will not have an easy time keeping his head above the stormy economic waters. Agudat Yisrael, too, can stir up trouble by again bringing its controversial 'Halacha' bill out of cold storage.

The degree of Liberal recklessness will, in the final analysis, hinge on the future plans of each of the 17 MKs. If they plan to continue outside the Likud framework they can take liberties. If they expect to continue in the Likud, they may stop at the brink.

The danger of incurring the wrath of Shamir and Herut — and all the consequences which flow from that — when the next Likud list of Knesset candidates is drawn up may have a sobering effect on at least a few Liberals.

ONE THING is certain: no Liberal is interested in very early elections. This is the one whip in Shamir's hand, Berman's and Zeigerman's projected new centrist list cannot be put together overnight. The other Liberals know that if they force Shamir into early elections at the worst possible time for the Likud, they will be forever wiped off the Likud's Knesset slate.

Insecurity also makes the Liberals unlikely partners in an alternative Alignment-led coalition, which some diehard souls are still dreaming about at Labour headquarters. Labour can certainly guarantee any safe slots on the list for the Eleventh Knesset to any breakaway Liberals, and that is all that counts now.

Liberal options are limited indeed despite the pivotal strength of even a few members in a government flying in a precarious majority. This theoretically should work in Shamir's favour and enable the new boss in the Prime Minister's Office to impose a semblance of discipline on the coalition's most unruly and peevish component.

But Liberal reactions have thus far seldom been within the range of the probable and the rationally foreseeable. As the Liberal Party breaks up, its internal conflicts may well intensify and its members become all the more erratic. They may not be frightened into caution and good behaviour, but instead the warring Liberal remnants, anxious about their political futures, may become even more jumpy, aggressive, dangerous and unreliable (from the coalition's point of view) than they have been in the past.

THIS IS NOT a review of either *Classified Love* (McGraw-Hill) or *Lonely in Baltimore* (Vintage), though I've pattered around, as who hasn't, in the primary sources, and the raw research material which these books illuminate, as one says, these days.

"DWF, 35, shapely, warm, questioning, intellectually rigorous..." Yes, of course, it's the lonely hearts classifieds which flourish here, as elsewhere in the Free World, and perhaps — who knows? — in China, too. It has been giggled at and analysed in these pages by my colleague Wim Van Leer and, as noted, has now made it into book form.

I am not going into the genre again for yet another giggle, but because I think a serious moral lies buried under all those column inches. Whether this moral is optimistic or pessimistic depends on how many PhDs one has picked up along life's road, as we shall see when I come to my illuminating and perceptive conclusions.

First, though, what's a "DWF"? It's not British for Dwarf, any more than "WWF" is what doggies say in cartoons. No, these are the code letters in the Personals of, among other publications, the *New York Review of Books*, a literary weekly for QHB's, or Quite High Brows. Most of its pages are taken up by long and exhaustive articles, in the guise of book reviews, on such sub-

jects as semiotics (about which we here in Tiberias haven't a clue), sociobiology (a toughie but a goodie); ancient scandals like the Freud-Jung one about the poor SJF (wait, wait) whom, 75 years ago, horrid Jung seduced; social security statistics; evaluations of Rilke translations; and on and on.

Not unexpectedly, its readership includes a large percentage of Jews, and of academics.

Just the ads for the new books are enough to send one off limply for a solitary nap: *Martin Van Buren and the Romantic Age of American Politics: Selected Poems of Al Qing: Beyond Structuralism and Hermeneutics: The Architecture of Frederick Clark Withers and the Progress of the Gothic Revival after 1830*.

BUT ENOUGH fun. Back to business. A DWF is a Divorced White Female, while a WWF (I am nearly positive) is a Widowed White Female and not, as you might think, a Wistful Wittgenstein-loving Fairy. The trick, as I discovered after several hours, is that the first letter indicates marital status (still apparently all important in liberated New York), the second, colour; and the third, sex. Do not make the embarrassing mistake of thinking that G is for Gentle: it's for Gay.

Sometimes there are four letters, as in DWJM, which works out to

Divorced White Jewish Male. Are we to take this as white but Jewish? Or is it a way of saying Ashkenazi? Hardly likely in New York and environs, which is Vusvusville.

The above is original research. I haven't consulted *Classified Love — A Guide to the Personals*, by Sherri Foxman (what a name), which tells you "how to translate those tantalizing abbreviations — SWM, 31, BA, 130/80, J & B, 11-D, BLT, LSMFT (PIX), how to evaluate and weed out the weirdos." The ad was in the NYR, back-to-back with "Issues in the Islamic Movement" and "Writers in Crisis."

THE PERSONALS are mostly a welter of "MWM, 42, winsome, youthful, vulnerable, academic, seeking attractive woman of spirit for shared play, joy, magic," although occasionally somebody tries to attract attention by a cute negative play: "Homely, stupid, short, pudgy married man with no interests or income seeks bright, vivacious, attractive female to

travel to out-of-the-way city at her own expense for shortlived relationship."

Here's one in a sort of code: "SJF, MD, NYC, Middle Eastern accent...wishes to meet compatible SWM..." Middle Eastern accent indeed! It's a fairly desperate *yoredet* who's got her MD but not her doctor, and hasn't yet learned about American hype. Personals here, while occasionally Americanized like everything else, remain earthbound, as in "slender, religious." Our lonely medical *yoredet* does admit to being "attractive, interesting," but can't possibly compete with the cluster of adjectives half an inch down the page: "Spirited, beautiful, wise, very good sexually, accomplished; enjoys pleasing yet independent; traditional, direct, enterprising; helpful; elegant, high standards; analytic, playful, avant garde; committed innovative social thinker & professional artist." (Lonely, though.)

Our MD, Middle East accent, is a

naughty *yoredet* because it will be noted that she fails to specify "SW, JM." Why didn't she save her money (\$1.40 per word) and check out the regularly inserted "FIGHT ASSIMILATION! Personalized matchmaking, Jewish Singles Only, 18-55 Nationwide." Or the less embattled SELECTIVE JEWISH SINGLES, which is "unique and 24-hour," for the really desperate, and has separate phone numbers for men and women.

It would serve Middle Eastern Accent right if she ends up with "SEMI-ATTACHED MAN, late 40's, warm and witty," who says he's after "joie de vivre." Ho ho ho.

I am not the first to observe that all these folks hurling themselves on the *joie de vivre* market see themselves as prize packages. As they put it (and surely we must believe them; as America is big on truth in advertising), they are earthy, urbane, creative, spunky, blue-eyed, brown-eyed, bright-eyed, witty, open, gorgeous, warm,

giving, charismatic, brilliant, well-travelled, elegant, unselfish, charming, stable, stalwart, fun-loving, unconventional but sensible — but why go on?

AS FOR the roster of their interests, the very list is exhausting. How can they possibly find time to read even 1 per cent of the NYR articles and yet find time for theatre, bridge, long walks, gourmet cooking, ballet, animals, old films, non-smoking, jogging, whales (sic), Scandinavia (sic), photography, skiing, laughter, holistic health, butterflies, humanism, mental health, museums...Great Scott! All these diversions and they're still whimpering about warm relationships and joyous togetherness!

A copy of the American weekly *Globe*, at the other end of the spectrum, fell into my hands recently. It came wrapped around something, and I always read wrapping paper. Here the personals are along the lines of "Loyal, lonely rancher seeks plump Christian lady."

The life-style here, to coin a phrase, is into C & W and trailer-living. But most importantly, these folks out in lonely Wyoming and Idaho and the Pacific Northwest, an area I very much prefer to Magical Manhattan, are modest and humble. Unlike the lonely NYRniks, they by and large chose their adjectives thriftily: what they are, and want, is "decent," "sincere," "honest." Some are vegetarians and non-smokers, but that hardly makes them urbane avant-garde sensualists.

The bi-furcated moral, maybe the worst thing is to be an earthy, witty, gorgeous, lonely linguistics professor (or a "cute little demographer," as has appeared in print) who can't find anybody on his/her own, at least anybody up to his/her terrific standards. Or who, although ineffably perceptive, somehow got married to such a drag that he (hardly ever she) must advertise for supplementary *joie de vivre*. Because if you've got it all, adjective-wise, and still can't get it — why then, what's the point of having made it to the Jewish Top?

Where is it so lonely? In academe, in Metropolitan America?

In stunning contrast, *Globe* readers are at least permitted to retain some deep-down illusion: that if only they were charismatic and brilliant, or had gone into semiotics or learned to say "joie de vivre" or better yet "hutpah" without stumbling, why then they would without doubt be ankle-deep in intimate, sharing relationships and the world would be their warm, meaningful oyster.

As you read this, the classifieds ches pile up, illuminating (or maybe not) an existential tragedy.



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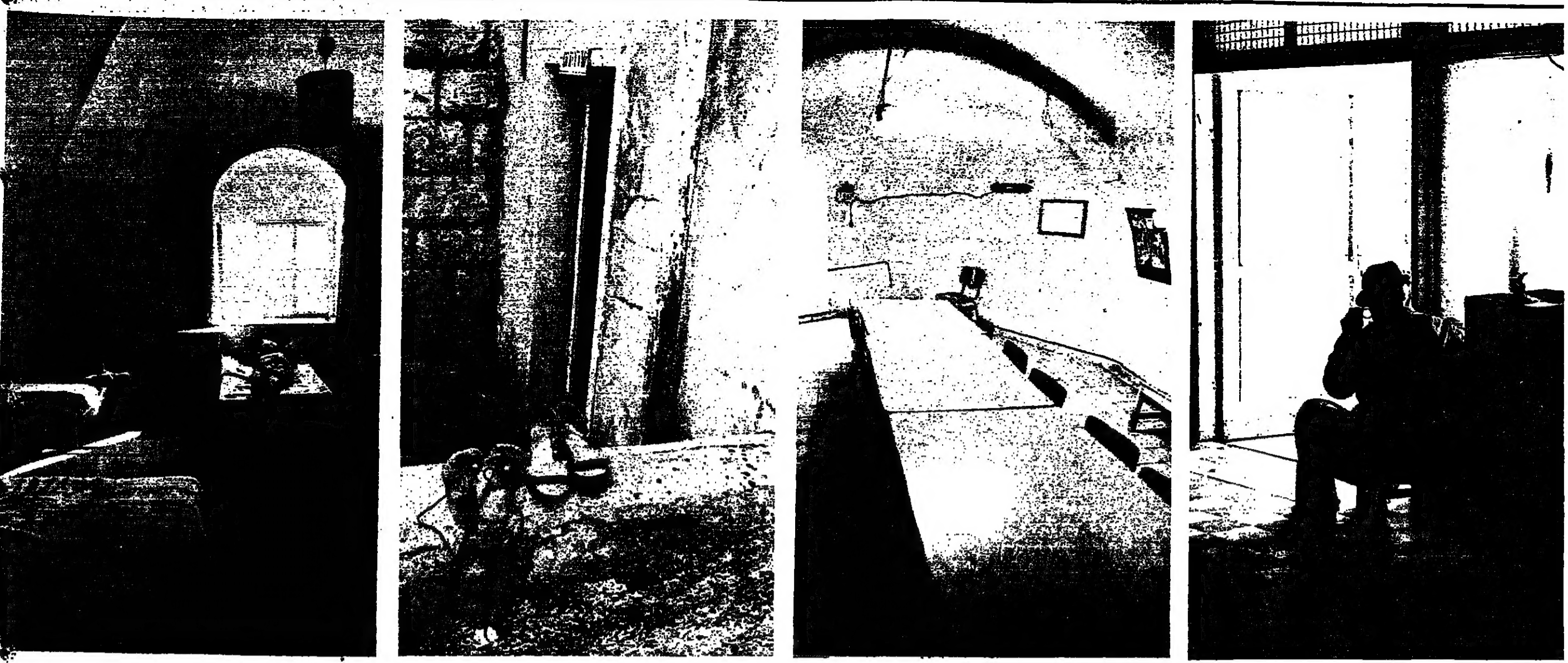
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From left: Part of an eight-bed room at Kfar Shaul; outdoor toilet for patients; dining room with a single one-bar heater on the wall; a geriatric patient. Below: Interior of a Holocaust survivor's bedroom.

HOSPITAL UNDER SIEGE

The Post's Margery Greenfeld looks at the crisis facing Jerusalem's Kfar Shaul psychiatric hospital. Joel Fishman took the photographs.

DEEP PURPLE bougainvillea blankets the low, stone buildings and the air is thick with birdsong. Groups of mostly elderly men and women stroll slowly along the winding paths, or soak up the sun on wooden benches. But for the glazed eyes of some of the clean but shabby-looking residents, and the strong stench of urine near some of the buildings, the Kfar Shaul government psychiatric hospital near Jerusalem could be any small village, dozing peacefully in the late afternoon sun.

The feeling of pastoral well-being quickly dissipates when the visitor leaves the rustic paths and enters the attractive buildings. Here, one is faced with a bleak vista of overcrowded living quarters, cracked fading paint, and room after room with no heating and no nearby toilet facilities. These dismal facts of life at Kfar Shaul were exacerbated a few days ago by the stoppage of fresh food deliveries and laundry services, after several major suppliers told the hospital they could no longer carry the institution's huge outstanding debts.

During a visit to Kfar Shaul this week, most of the patients appeared to be clean and well-cared for. Despite understaffing (with 0.53 workers per bed, Kfar Shaul has the lowest staff-patient ratio of any psychiatric hospital in the country), it was clear that serious efforts are made to provide a high level of treatment.

BUT THE STAFF'S warm caring and the "family atmosphere" cited by some of them cannot compensate for the hospital's dilapidated state and primitive living conditions.

In the small warren-like rooms, beds are crammed close together, leaving no space for closets, tables or chairs. There is certainly no space for a luxury such as privacy. One narrow rectangular room with nine iron beds lined up against the walls looked like one wall-to-wall bed.

Hardly any of the rooms have a window or pick their way down steep residents must trek across courtyards or pick their way down steep stone staircases to use a toilet. In the winter, in the rain and cold wind they sweep across the hilltop, many residents are unable — or unwilling — to make the trek.

The bathrooms themselves are dark, dank and evil-smelling. While the hospital staff manage to keep the rest of the place remarkably clean, despite the peeling paint and black splotches of damp, they seem

to have thrown in their hands regarding the bathrooms. The patients, too, sometimes ignore the bathrooms, preferring the side of a building in what they have dubbed "pee-pee Alley" to the stinking toilets, whose faulty plumbing creates treacherous puddles on the tiled floors.

ALL OF THIS pales, however, beside the fact that the majority of the rooms and public spaces at Kfar Shaul are not heated. For almost 30 winters, nearly three-quarters of the patients have shivered through Jerusalem's chilly days and freezing nights without the benefit of any heating whatsoever. Out of the 415 patients at Kfar Shaul, only 120 live in rooms that have some form of heating system.

"For years, we have been struggling with the problem of heat. The nature of our patients rules out the use of any type of heat with an open flame, which is why we have never been able to provide even the minimal comfort of a portable kerosene heater," the hospital management said this week.

"Some years ago, we drew up a plan for central steam heat, with standard wall-radiators. By the time the plan was approved, the money we had budgeted had shrunk to nothing because of inflation.

Three years ago, we came up with a new plan for electric heating. But the ancient wiring throughout the hospital could not have handled the extra voltage, and we are now in the process of upgrading the entire electrical system. We think the re-wiring will be completed by winter, but now a larger question looms: will we have the money to purchase the radiators?"

The official shrugged and sighed: "It breaks my heart sometimes — how can you expect people to live in Jerusalem without heating?"

AS IF ALL THIS weren't enough, this week the hospital was left without fresh food or clean laundry. The suppliers of goods and services reluctantly informed the management that they could no longer carry the enormous debts that have built up over the months. One by one, they cut off service. The laundry company, which has not been paid since last May, stopped bringing clean linens and clothing late last week. This week staff were instructed to change bed linens

THE HOSPITAL'S village-like ambience is not entirely a coincidence: Kfar Shaul once was a village called Deir Yassin, which was abandoned by its Arab inhabitants after 254 people were killed during an attack by the Irgun Zvai Leumi in 1948. A mixture of newly-arrived immigrants and psychiatric patients were moved into the deserted buildings in 1950. By 1954, the olim had been replaced by additional patients, and the complex became the Kfar Shaul government psychiatric hospital.

Today, 415 patients live in the 30 or so stone buildings scattered over a 55-dunam site in the Judean Hills, on the western edge of Jerusalem. Some of them have been there since the early 1950s; more than half have been hospitalized for 10 years or more.

Although the average age of the patients is 59 and the average stay in hospital is several years, Kfar Shaul has stepped up its longtime commitment to increasing the patient's ability to function independently and helping to prepare patients for an eventual return to the world outside the hospital.

To this end, the hospital has an active occupational therapy department, promoting self-expression and communication through crafts, the plastic arts and dance, music and drama therapy.

Several rehabilitation units have been set up to help chronic patients (hospitalized for more than 15 years) relearn basic social and personal skills, such as preparing food, shopping and using banks and public transport.

Some 20 patients have been released from the hospital over the past few years to live in rented flats in groups of three or more, with a closely monitored follow-up programme offering continuing therapy in the hospital's outpatient unit and easy access to help in case problems arise.

But for many of the patients, who lost their families in the Holocaust or whose relatives have simply given up on them, Kfar Shaul is home.



once a month, except for the geriatric patients who suffer from incontinence, until laundry service is resumed.

Tnuva, which is still owed \$750,000 from August, stopped delivering milk and dairy products last Sunday. The hospital's other supplier of fruits and vegetables, Mizrahi, also cut off deliveries after its outstanding bill reached \$1m. By Tuesday, the patients were no longer getting their 10 a.m. snack of fruit and milk.

"No one is going to starve. We have canned goods and dry food-stuffs and we can produce three meals a day," said the hospital management. "but people shouldn't be expected to get along indefinitely on beans and rice and powdered potatoes."

The shortages extend to other areas of the hospital as well. The photocopying machine, which is used for essential copying of court orders and other legal documents, has been out of action for several

weeks. The hospital ran out of paper for the machine and cannot buy new stock.

The hospital's technical and maintenance crew is nearly idled by the lack of paint and cement for repairs. This not only holds up

necessary improvements, but lowers the morale and work ethics of the crew.

"WE ARE NOW struggling with problems on two different levels," the hospital management said this week. "The basic physical plant needs a complete overhaul — either extensive and well-planned renovations or a totally fresh start, which means razing the old buildings and putting up new ones. If once we thought that somehow the money would be found for major capital improvements, that hope has completely flown out the window now."

"When Health Minister Eliezer Shostak visited Kfar Shaul six months ago, at our request, he was shocked by the conditions. We held a meeting with top ministry officials afterwards, at which the minister displayed a firm grasp of the problems and laid down a general plan for improvements. This included reducing the patient load and renovating entire sections of the hospital at one time, rather than doing things piecemeal.

"With all of Shostak's sincere good intentions, the plan has been shelved for the foreseeable future. There is simply no money to carry it out."

WHICH BRINGS US to the second, and more immediate, problem — the severe shortfall in the operating budget. Kfar Shaul's situation is certainly not unique; every government hospital, whether general or psychiatric, is currently wrestling with mounting debts to suppliers and shrinking means of payment.

The spectacle of Barzilai Hospital in Ashkelon on the verge of closure three weeks ago, due to shortages of fuel and liquid oxygen (not to mention a similar cut-off of deliveries by Tnuva), is not an isolated incident. Nor was the announcement two weeks ago by the management of the giant Sheba Hospital at Tel Hashomer that its stocks of certain medications and supplies was reaching a dangerously low level.

All the government hospitals face the same intractable problem: how to manage on a budget predicated on an annual inflation rate of 88.5 per cent, when the true inflation

rate is running at least in the 130 per cent range, and will most likely go even higher. In previous years, this built-in discrepancy has been overcome by using the ministry's reserve budget to cover price increases.

But former finance minister Yoram Aridor froze the reserve budgets some months ago to goad his fellow ministers into making sweeping budget cuts. Since the government hospitals have always been budgeted close to the bone, this sudden removal of the safety net has left them teetering precariously on the brink of collapse.

The shortfalls are especially severe at the smaller, peripheral hospitals, like Ashkelon, and at the psychiatric hospitals, which have leaner budgets to start with and less margin for maneuver. Health Ministry director-general Prof. Baruch Modan told me earlier this month.

THE DEPUTY director-general of the Health Ministry, Moshe Hurvitz, told *The Jerusalem Post* this week that the ministry has "long-range plans" to renovate existing structures and build new buildings at Kfar Shaul. "We know it's not good there, but it's just a matter of time until we can do something about it," he said.

As for the heating problem, he acknowledged that the new wiring would not help much if the hospital couldn't afford to buy the electric radiators. But he hoped they would be able to complete the project this year.

The budget shortfall is "endemic to the whole system," according to Hurvitz. The Health Ministry has been holding talks with the Treasury on a basic restructuring of the budget that would more accurately reflect the actual cost of essential supplies and services.

No agreement had been reached on a supplementary budget as of this writing; but Hurvitz said that the Treasury had decided this week to release "a small amount of money" to give the beleaguered hospitals some "breathing space, at least for a few days."

This should bring some immediate relief to Kfar Shaul and at least allow for the temporary resumption of food deliveries and laundry services. But fruit and clean clothing will not solve the larger problem, as one staff member put it, of "moving Kfar Shaul from the Stone Age to the 20th Century."

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THE BRUTAL attack last Shabbat on Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and on members of his entourage by an enraged mob of several hundred *haredi* ultras has, for the first time in years, elicited some sharp police action.

Several suspects have been apprehended in the Mea Shearim *haredi* quarter (other known suspects are still playing games with the police and have left home with little effort being made to find them), although it is still too early to guess how long this sense of urgency among the police will last or how free of political pressure the state attorney's office will be in pressing prosecution.

The truth is that the dastardly attack on the 72-year-old Kollek, during which he was knocked to the ground and injured, and in which his whole fleeing party was harassed until they got out of "injua-country" on the other side of Kikar Shabbat, was neither the first and certainly not the worst instance of *haredi* violence.

These incidents have become more frequent and more brutal in Jerusalem, Bnei Brak and other selected localities. There has been a clear pattern of escalating *haredi* violence in the past few years.

A CIVIL SERVANT does not get paid if he has been jailed for a crime; in fact, he is lucky to keep his job. But Tami leader Aharon Abuhatzira, who was convicted of stealing from a charity fund, will continue receiving his Knesset salary (plus car allowance and per diem) during the three months of "outside work" he is doing in lieu of imprisonment.

This is one result of the decision of the Knesset House Committee this week, "taking note" of Abuhatzira's letter to chairman Eitan Livni stating "categorically," as Livni puts it, that he would not attend any Knesset or committee session until he completes his sentence.

Under a law passed by the Knesset in April 1981, the committee, at the request of a single MK, could have voted to suspend the former minister's Knesset membership for the period of his sentence. (If it had done so, his place would have been filled temporarily by the next in line on the Tami list.) The same law authorizes the Knesset, by a two-thirds majority of its total membership, to oust a member who has been sentenced to a year or more in jail.

The motion "taking note" was made by Alignment members Dov Zakai and Yosef Sarid. Asked why they had not called for

WHAT IS EQUALLY worrying is that there has also been a clear pattern of politically-instigated police inaction in the face of this violence, which is motivated by religious zealotry.

In recent years, there has been a spate of murderous *haredi* attacks on isolated, secular residents in or on the fringes of religious neighbourhoods, like Geula and Makor Baruch. These residents had taken great pains to behave in a manner inoffensive to their religious neighbours. Nevertheless, their flats have been vandalized for the purpose of driving them out of the neighbourhoods.

These attacks have recently spread to the Bukharan Quarter, where the targets have been Sephardi families of Persian extraction, whose synagogue Teddy Kollek was visiting when he was attacked.

A painter's shop near the entrance to the Belz yeshiva across the road from the Foreign Ministry was similarly terrorized by students of that yeshiva.

Last winter, a Hebrew University geneticist, inadvertently driving through Rehov Yehzekel on Shabbat, was stoned and hospitalized for months with serious head injuries. A similar attack was perpetrated

Abuhatzira's suspension, Sarid says that a motion to suspend the Knesset convict would not have carried, and that the important thing is that he stays away from the Knesset. Sarid considers the salary question unimportant.

OF COURSE, the salary is not the issue, but the committee's softness is another step in what Israel Landis in *Davar* so aptly described as Abuhatzira's "de facto rehabilitation."

The first step in voiding the moral significance of Abuhatzira's conviction and sentencing was taken by the court itself, when it deferred for several weeks the date on which he would begin serving his sentence.

During that borrowed time, politicians from both major parties carried his favour and the hero of the story carried on his political wheeling and dealing as if nothing had happened.

Deputy Knesset Speaker Meir Cohen-Avidot told a Gali Zahal interviewer that Abuhatzira's embezzlement and breach of trust was "not a real theft... We have to apply different norms to different communities."

Alignment Knesset faction chairman Moshe Shaiel had, talks with the Tami leader about his party's joining a Peres-led government. Reports that Shimon Peres

FIGHTING BACK

By YOSEF GOELL

more recently on a carload of visitors from outside Jerusalem who had no inkling of the realities of the Jerusalem religious enclaves which compel the closing of major thoroughfares on Shabbat.

Shabbat stoning of vehicles on the Ramot Road in Jerusalem has been going on for years, with occasional breaking of windshields and the narrow avoidance of fatal accidents.

And on several recent occasions in Bnei Brak, police have prevented the staging of inoffensive cultural programmes for secular residents in the local Histadrut cultural centre for fear that local *haredi* terrorists would pogromize the centre.

Need one also recall the torching last year of the small Baptist Church in Jerusalem and the numerous attacks on other Christian targets?

WHAT IS CLEAR is that the violent aggressiveness of the various *haredi* communities has been on the rise and that the police have done nothing, or next to nothing, to stop it.

There is, admittedly, no clear evidence that Interior Minister Yosef Burg, of the National Religious Party, has ever issued direct orders to the police to refrain from action, or to take only ineffective, symbolic action which in no case should lead to actual prosecution of the *haredi* terrorists in order to placate outraged public opinion.

But the only possible explanation for the glaring absence of police action and for their irresponsible forbearance is either the issuance of such quiet ministerial orders or the decision of police commanders who know which side their bread is but-

tered on politically, to order such inaction without specific ministerial directives.

What is quite clear, however, is that the targets of these protracted *haredi* attacks have been left totally unprotected by the police, who are nominally charged with protecting citizens against attack.

I BELIEVE that the situation has escalated sufficiently to justify a call for action by citizens in their own defence. If the police will not act because of political constraints then the threatened victims must act, in an organized fashion, in their own defence, or they must acquiesce in their own victimization.

Let me spell out some points: In post-Holocaust Israel, calling an Israeli a Nazi, or falling back on that horrible epithet, "It's a shame Hitler didn't finish his job," is legitimate cause for mayhem. Drunken foreign seamen in Haifa bars who descend to the Nazi bit usually get bashed in the face and are jailed for their troubles.

The same treatment should be meted out to *haredi* Khomeinis who, in altercations with police, resort to calling them Nazis. Under such provocation, any policeman worth his salt should feel free to let loose with his baton.

And the media and public opi-

nion should in such cases rally to the defence of such a policeman if their superiors dare question the act.

The right to freedom of travel on Shabbat over the Ramot Road should be defended not there but in counter-measures in the heart of Mea Shearim, and against the specific yeshivas which are the source of the ongoing *haredi* terrorism.

The details of the War of the Ramot Road provide a persuasive argument for the judicious use of counter-force in the cause of restoring peaceful co-existence, for such a restoration of peaceful relations is what is being urged, not an anti-religious campaign.

The *haredi* terrorists who walk several kilometres on Shabbat from Mea Shearim to the Ramot Road on their way cross Rehov Yirmiyahu where traffic is much heavier than on the road they are intent on strangling.

But they never dare attack cars on Rehov Yirmiyahu because they know that such a threat to a major thoroughfare would invite immediate retribution against their own turf.

This is similar reasoning to the one that guides Agudat Yisrael. A year ago, they insisted on, and won, a total ban on El Al flights on Shab-

bat. They and their Council of Torah Sages, however, have never dared breathe a bad word about a more egregious form of "Sabbath desecration" that occurs in Israel every week — the scores of football games that are held everywhere in the country, including Jerusalem.

The Sages and their Aguda minions know very well that any attempt to restrict football on Shabbat would result in counter-action of major proportions by enraged football fans. So they are smart enough not to provoke such action.

NORMALLY, the government should be responsible for maintaining the peace between disparate communities. But when a government fails to carry out its duties, as the Begin government and its NRP police minister have failed to do, it is clearly the duty of the intended victims to organize in their own self-defence.

The vast majority of religious people in Israel live in peace and good relations with their secular neighbours. It is the Khomeinist terrorists, and at times some of their Aguda apologists, who must be made to see the logic of peaceful coexistence.

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Verdict on the Knesset

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN

gave the word to Alignment MKs to refrain from commenting on the case have been denied. But if it wasn't Peres, it was some other Alignment figure. What other explanation is there for the apathy of the Alignment faction on the subject?

The three Tami votes that the Likud was determined to hold led to fawn over Abuhatzira even more. "We'll mollify Tami, coalition leaders hope" was a headline on August 25. And Likud faction chief Ronnie Milo, asked by a radio interviewer whether Abuhatzira ought to come to the Knesset to vote for the Shamir government, replied:

"Well, frankly, I need every vote I can get."

The reporter persisted. Would he advise Abuhatzira that it would be in bad taste for him to show up at the Knesset.

"No," replied Milo. "That is a question for the man to decide for himself."

During this period, too, reporters swooped around Abuhatzira when he left this meeting or that. And, to cap it all, the convict was duly received by President Chaim Herzog as head of the Tami delegation, and expressed his views on whom Herzog should ask to form a government.

THEN CAME the decision of the Tel Aviv Police Commander Avraham Turgeman to allow Abuhatzira to do clerical work at the Beit Dagan police base storehouse instead of being confined to jail. And, then, to top it, came the great man's brazen "reporting for duty" in his chauffeur-driven Peugeot — not just to the gate but to the storehouse itself.

At that point, the only thing left that might persuade the public that Abuhatzira had not been convicted on a mere technicality — as they may well have been led to believe by the VIP treatment he was getting — but that he had done something morally repugnant and a blot on the Knesset, was his suspension by the House Committee.

HIS OWN PROMISE — self-inspired or suggested to him by a friendly Likudnik — to shun the Knesset premises for three months is no substitute for a suspension imposed by the committee. It is one more link in the chain in which a convicted embezzler has been permitted to make his own rules.

Every committee member is well aware of the difference. And Livni's waving of Abuhatzira's "categorical" promise — "in nothing," it is emphasized — is nothing but a smokescreen to conceal the committee's reluctance to act.

In her summation before the district court, District Attorney Sara Siroti said: "If a public figure like Abuhatzira is not sent to prison, then jail sentences cannot be demanded for run-of-the-mill offenders."

Siroti apparently made her point. But this jail sentence *de luxe* is surely not what she had in mind. It makes a mockery of the judicial process.

THE COMMITTEE'S kid-glove treatment of Abuhatzira stands in sharp contrast to its behaviour in the only other case it has dealt with since the passage of the 1981 law — that of Samuel Flatto-Sharon.

Flatto, it will be recalled, was convicted in April 1981 of election bribery and sentenced to nine months in jail. The very next day Shaiel and Sarid requested the then committee chairman, Moshe Meron (Likud-Liberals), to take up the question of his suspension.

"The Knesset is not interested," Meron said, "in permitting members against whom a criminal sentence is pending to continue to function as members of the Knesset."

And the committee, by a 10-4 vote, did suspend him. (The High Court of Justice overturned the committee's decision and ruled that an MK cannot be suspended until a final verdict is handed down in a criminal case. Flatto's appeal was then pending before the Jerusalem District Court. After that court sustained the original verdict and sentence, he appealed to the Supreme Court, where it is still pending.)

Commenting on the committee's action, we wrote in these columns on May 25, 1981:

"What bothers me is whether the House Committee would have acted as it did — and with such

relief — if the MK involved had been anyone but Flatto.

"Not only does Flatto not belong to any long-established party, large or small, but he has remained an outsider during his four years in the Knesset. So it did not take much bravery for 10 House Committee members (five of them from the Alignment) to display their own righteousness."

The double standard adopted by the committee is shamefully clear. What counts is not what you have done but who you are — and whether you can be of use to the political parties concerned. Not a government of law, but a government of men.

The law must be changed. The Knesset has proved that in this matter, as in some other quasi-judicial and quasi-executive powers it possesses, it is the last body that can be trusted to make objective decisions.

An MK's suspension or ouster should be decided by the same court that has convicted him. It should be an integral part of the sentence (e.g., three months in jail and suspension from the Knesset, or three months in jail, period).

The Knesset has forfeited any claim to make such decisions by itself.

The writer is The Jerusalem Post's Knesset reporter.

The way to peace

By YONA EISENBERG

Democratic Movement for Peace.

This policy was revealed not only by that ban, but also by various sanctions taken by the authorities against political figures who had begun to develop a movement supporting the Camp David accords.

There was a striking departure from this policy in 1982 during the tenure of Professor Menahem Milson as head of the civil administration in the West Bank, when the pro-Camp David elements were encouraged and aided. But after Milson's resignation to protest against the government's position following the massacres in Sabra and Shatilla, there was a return to the policy of "there is no one to talk to."

The Israeli movement, the Way to Peace, was established about six months ago. Its members hail from kibbutzim and moshavim, development towns, cities, and the Arab sector in Israel. This movement aims at encouraging the moderate elements in the occupied territories and seeks to enter into a dialogue with these figures and groups about the way to peace.

These moderate Palestinians — who recognize Israel, oppose terror, and regard direct talks with Israel as the only way to solve the conflict —

deserve recognition and encouragement so that they will one day be the central force in the peace talks between the Palestinian people and the State of Israel.

The Way to Peace is not a "protest movement." It views a dialogue as the first step towards peace. Indeed, the movement has held a number of joint assemblies with moderate elements in the territories.

Assemblies have been held in Hazorea, Beit She'an, Rosh Hanikra and Beit Hashita. On August 17, an assembly was held in Tel Aviv at Beit Hapraklit under the slogan "Dialogue between moderates from both sides of the Green Line." Furthermore, there have been regular smaller meetings both in Israel and in the occupied territories.

IT IS PAINFUL to see these Palestinian moderates meet with attacks and calumnies from Israelis — both on the right and left of the political spectrum. The explanation is that part of the Israeli left regards the PLO as the "legitimate representative" of the Palestinian people and is ready to wait — who knows for how long — until the PLO recognizes Israel (if ever).

On the other hand, the right-wingers fear the consolidation of the moderate Palestinian forces, for it will be necessary to compromise with them.

But as long as Israel administers the territories, it can and must encourage the moderate forces there. Instead, it seems that not only is political activity for the cause of peace forbidden, but the Israeli authorities actually court precisely those Arab figures who follow PLO orders and therefore refuse to be partners to any positive dialogue with Israel.

As its name indicates, the Way to Peace attempts to show the way to peace. Its basic principles are that: □ The Camp David accords should be the basis for the solution of the conflict. Any Palestinian who recognizes Israel and opposes terror is invited to direct talks on the future relations between Israel and the Palestinian people; □ Representatives of the population of the territories must be a central factor in the peace talks. Consequently, freedom of political organization must be allowed in the territories; □ Those Palestinians who live in the West Bank and those who live east of the Jordan River are intimately linked by family, economic and other ties. Consequently, the permanent solution must guarantee the link between the two banks, and there should not be a separate Palestinian state in the West Bank; □ Israel must not annex the territories. The borders shall be determined by the peace talks; □ Jewish settlement in the West Bank and Gaza should be left as a subject for the negotiations; □ Both the Palestinian and the

Israeli sides must condemn any form of terrorism either by Arabs or Jews.

To sum up, the Way to Peace is not introducing yet another plan for the solution of the conflict, but proposes instead a mode of action that will bring us closer to the possibility of conducting negotiations for a practical solution of the problem.

Israel, as a democratic, Jewish society, needs a way to peace as much morally as it does politically.

The writer is a member of Kibbutz Gan Shmuel and is active in the Way to Peace movement.

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Over-the-seas imagination

By MARSHA POMERANTZ

IS IT possible for a magazine to straddle the ocean without getting torn or soggy?

Fortcoming, a literary magazine with glossy, water-repellent pages, has managed to do so for the past year. The winter/fall issue has just been published — for the first time as a separate magazine instead of an insert in *Moment*, the American Jewish monthly. But *Moment* continues to take care of the printing, and distributes *Fortcoming* to its own subscribers.

The new magazine is edited by David Rosenberg, an American poet who has lived in Israel for the past two years; it describes itself as a magazine of "Jewish imaginative writing," and it contains a combination of Hebrew literature in translation and works by Jewish American authors. Alongside the well-known names are those of the up-and-coming.

In the Editor's Note to the current issue, Rosenberg beats the reader to the question of "What constitutes Jewish imaginative writing today?" He doesn't really answer it, except to say that he's looking for quality and "writers who explore their resources without apology" rather than exploiting modish "ethnicity."

In an interview, he makes it clear that the question is one of succession to the writers who came to prominence in the '60s: Bellow, Roth, Malamud. Do the subjects have to be explicitly Jewish? "You have to subscribe to *Fortcoming* and find out," he says. He has gotten this venture off the ground partly through good salesmanship.

Most Israelis are eager to be translated into English — but how do you convince major American authors to contribute? "You say it's the only way these authors can reach a literate Jewish audience — one that would be more highly motivated than regular literary review readers."

More convincing: "You tell each author — or his agent, who is even more reluctant — that another is going to be in it. Even if the other author hasn't entirely confirmed."

He calls this kind of salesmanship "the Jewish mind at work."

One way or the other, he has elicited contributions from Cynthia Ozick, Mordecai Richler (an unrepentant Canadian), Ted Solotaroff, Arthur A. Cohen. A selection was taken from Mark Helprin's novel *Winter's Tale* just before publication, and "the book made the best-seller list the week it came out," says Rosenberg, to indicate he's on the right track.

Among the Israelis represented have been Amos Oz, David Shahar and Yehuda Amichai and writers less well-known, at least in translation: Meir Wieseltier, Yona Wolach, Michal Govrin, Sammy Michael, Hanoch Levin.

Much of the financial and moral support for the venture comes from the Institute for the Translation of Hebrew Literature in Tel Aviv. It gets its funds in turn from a variety of government ministries and Jewish institutions — and has long sought an attractive consistent way to introduce Hebrew literature to the large English-reading audience abroad.

ON THE American end, associate editor Nessa Rapoport in New York has provided many of the contacts with writers, and the National Foundation for Jewish Culture has helped with publicity and fund-raising. Rosenberg went to New York last spring and raised about \$10,000. He is hoping to raise twice that sum there this winter.

The central event in the imminent tour will be "an evening of Jewish imaginative writing" to be held on December 12 at the 92nd Street YM-YWHA.

Readings will be given by Amichai, who is teaching at New York University this year, and A.B. Yehoshua. "There's no money to send the rest," says Rosenberg. Ted Solotaroff, writer and editor, will moderate, and the content of the Jewish North America will be represented by Helprin, Ozick and

Richler. One thousand "Jews and people in publishing" will be the invited guests, urged to lighten their pockets and contribute professional support in setting up a "Friends of *Fortcoming*" organization. So the project is a novel one in that it not only examines the nature of "Jewish writing" but also asks whether Jews in general publishing are willing to commit themselves to the effort.

The major problem has been, and probably will be, money, though the New York fund-raising tour should make a significant difference. The question of support has been complicated by a dispute — in soft, cultivated tones — with Hakibbutz Hameuchad, the kibbutz movement publishing house, who bring out some of the best current literature in Israel.

They were the founding publishers of *Fortcoming*, along with the translation institute, and were to provide about two thirds of the funding. But after the second issue, they decided to drop out, and although their name appears on the current issue, they want to have nothing to do with it, and insist they aren't financially liable. That puts the institute in a hole.

Alexander Seneo, who heads the kibbutz publishing house, says he objects to Rosenberg's "American concept of editorial independence," and says Rosenberg didn't consult with him before writing an Editor's Note in the second issue claiming independence from "the editorial line" of both Hakibbutz Hameuchad and *Moment*.

He can't understand how *Fortcoming* could have published its second issue, last March, without any expression of writing about the war in Lebanon, and he objects specifically to the inclusion of a piece by Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz ("Rachel and Rabbi Akiva" from his *Tales of the Talmud*) "as if it were one of the major works of Hebrew literature."

He believes Rosenberg isn't a

suitable editor because he doesn't read Hebrew literature fluently, though he acknowledges that it's important to have someone who is familiar with the American literary scene.

IN ROSENBERG'S view the dispute with Seneo was "not a matter of taste, but control." He feels that Seneo wanted the connection with the American market to promote directly certain kibbutz writers. About the Lebanon war: politics are not to be excluded, but the primary criterion remains quality.

It was clear from the start, he says, that he was "not a Hebrew specialist": anything *Fortcoming* prints has to have the approval of an editorial board. After the departure of Seneo and other representatives of Hakibbutz Hameuchad, that will include Yosef Michman-Melkman and Avraham Huss of the institute's editorial board, and critic Gershon Shaked. As far as Rosenberg is concerned, the final decision on the Israeli material included must be based on the quality as rendered in English. It must be able to stand alongside the American material.

Meanwhile, the translation institute remains firmly committed to the project, despite its empty coffers. It's still waiting for the payment that's in contention from Hakibbutz Hameuchad. And the U.S.-Israel Cultural Foundation, under its new chairman, MK Mordechai Virshubsky, has promised support but so far has not delivered.

So balancing the books has been as difficult as balancing the interests and pressures of writers, editors and literary consumers in Israel and the U.S.

Rosenberg — when he was in Canada avoiding the Vietnam draft — founded and edited for seven years a poetry journal called *Ani's Forefoot*, which included American, Canadian and British work. His current balancing act is more difficult. But if he can continue to raise the money, it has a decent chance of success. Then we can find out if there is such a thing as Jewish imaginative writing.

Helping Israel help itself

By WOLF BLITZER / Post Washington Correspondent

"I THINK that what's happening now in Israel is highlighting something that has been known over here in Washington for some time. That is the fact that due to our security situation and our need to purchase oil abroad and other factors, Israel will have a real problem in the future with its foreign currency earnings and expenditures. The need to decrease the gap between total exports and imports is actually the main dilemma facing the Israeli economy in the years to come."

That is the view of Dan Halperin, the Israel Embassy's dynamic, 40-year-old economic minister, who has spent almost all of his time in recent years trying to find various ways for the U.S. to help ease Israel's problems. Because there is probably no one who knows more about current U.S.-Israeli economic relations than Halperin, I sat down with him to obtain his impressions on what specific steps the U.S. might take in the wake of the latest economic crisis.

"In many ways," he said, referring to the foreign currency gap, "this is the real problem which even overshadows the problem of inflation. That, too, is a major problem, but it's not as acute as the balance of payments."

Israel, he noted, has an external debt of some \$21.5 billion. That is the Bank of Israel figure. It represents the highest per capita foreign debt in the world. Unless steps are taken quickly in both Washington and Jerusalem, that problem could get out of control.

He said that Israel's economic crisis has again underlined to Washington several crucial points which Israeli officials have been pushing in recent years. For one thing, the administration is now even more aware of this foreign debt problem. "This is why we have been trying to improve the terms of the U.S. aid to Israel, not only to increase the overall sum."

SPECIFICALLY, Halperin and other Israeli officials have explained the need for the U.S. to offer Israel more assistance in the form of outright grants rather than loans, which have to be repaid, with interest. Those loans, while better than nothing in the short run, simply increase the overall Israeli debt. "It creates a problem in the long run," said Halperin. "I think this is now very well understood here."

In fact, the administration is now said to have tentatively accepted a proposal raised by former finance minister Yoram Aridor whereby all future U.S. military assistance would be provided in grant form, with no repayment necessary. Next year alone, that would mean that such grants would increase from roughly \$850 million to some \$1.275 billion.

But there is a downside as well. The problem, of course, is that the total military assistance in the pending package — meaning both grants and loans — is \$1.7 billion. Defense Minister Moshe Arens, understandably, has been disturbed by the decrease in total dollars available for the purchase of weapons in the U.S.

Israel right now has a surplus of some \$1 billion in already approved financial assistance — available only for military purchases in America. Among other things, that money will help pay for 75 new F-16 jet fighters, slated for delivery over the next three years. That transaction alone is valued at more than \$3 billion.

According to the Israeli Finance Ministry, the beauty of the conversion of the military aid package into grants only is that it sets a vital precedent for future years. Israel will not have to worry about going further into debt in order to maintain its essential defence-spending levels. The important thing for the Reagan administration is to forget about providing more loans to Israel. "They only make us sink further into debt," said Halperin.

THE ADMINISTRATION has several other options available to help Israel overcome these financial problems. U.S. and Israeli officials have been discussing several of them quite intensively in recent months. They include the idea of a U.S.-Israel free trade area, which has in fact been on the negotiating table for over two years. If his were implemented, said Halperin, it would help Israel to become less



Dan Halperin (Israel Staff)

dependent. It would enable Israel to sell more in the U.S. — "not because Israel would win any additional concessions or subsidies, but only because we would be selling here on the same footing as American companies, or even many European countries, are doing."

It means actually having a trade relationship between the U.S. and Israel which is very similar to what we have with the European Community. The only difference is that with the EEC it is limited to industrial goods, while the way we look at it right now is that it might also include agricultural goods.

A free trade area between the U.S. and Israel would mean duty-free access to each other's markets. All customs would be eliminated, although purchase taxes could remain.

Israeli officials, naturally, are hoping that the proposal would reduce hefty negative trade balance with the U.S. Last year, for instance, the U.S. exported \$2.3 billion worth of products to Israel. Exports in the opposite direction totaled \$1.2 billion. This year, from January through the end of July, the respective figures were \$1.1 billion and \$768 million.

The free trade idea has been discussed in recent weeks with Secretary of State George Shultz, Secretary of the Treasury Donald Regan, the chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisors, Martin Feldstein, and other senior officials. Most importantly, it has been seriously considered by the U.S. special trade representative, Bill Brock, a former Republican senator from Tennessee and chairman of the Republican National Committee. Brock is well known as a strong supporter of Israel and is said to be basically sympathetic to the idea.

THE CONCEPT of a free trade area is still problematic because, it would be a first for the U.S. Over the years, the thrust of U.S. trade policy has been to develop "most favoured nation" agreements with various countries. That means that the U.S. treats these countries equally. But a free trade area would put Israel in an even more favoured category. That, in turn, would put pressure on the U.S. to extend the same type of treatment to other countries as well. There is some support in the Reagan administration for moving

in that direction, on a worldwide basis, said Halperin, given the basic "free trade" philosophy of most senior policy-makers, but in the real world of Washington politics, things are never all that simple. All sorts of domestic American industries are strongly resisting any such opening of the market to foreign competition. In the process, they raise the spectre of even more serious American unemployment. Their lobbying has been intense.

This is especially true in the defence industries. Israel has been very actively seeking to obtain some of those generally lucrative contracts. There have been some successes, but progress has been much slower than most Israeli officials would have liked.

IN MARCH 1979, as an immediate outcome of the Israel-Egypt peace treaty, then defence minister Ezer Weizman and defence secretary Harold Brown signed a memorandum agreement designed to make Israel's entry into the U.S. defence market somewhat easier. The Pentagon was finally authorized to make purchases from Israeli defence contractors.

But there have been many snags along the way. What Halperin would very much like to see now is greater speed in concluding such deals, especially in areas of high technology where Israel has achieved some dramatic openings through its own combat experience.

Tadiran, for example, recently won a \$40 million contract for the sale of advanced radio and communications equipment. In the process, it beat E-Systems, a Texas firm, by some 20 per cent.

What exactly did that mean? With the exception of E-Systems, everyone won. Tadiran obtained the contract for Israel, that represents a sizeable inflow of foreign currency. For the U.S. army, there is a lower price for a similar quality product. That, in turn, means a saving for the American taxpayer.

There is another important benefit for both Israel and America from these sales. They make Israel less dependent on U.S. foreign aid. Every dollar that Israel can earn through sales in the U.S., means less need for direct cash assistance through the worldwide foreign aid legislation — whether in grants or loans.

A FREE TRADE area and increased Israeli defence exports, said Halperin, were really the hope of the future for Israel's embattled economy.

He insisted that Israel was not giving any serious thought to proposals that it seek a moratorium on repayment of outstanding U.S. loans. In practical terms, that was simply out of the question. For one thing, he pointed out, the U.S. budgetary process alone makes that course of action a non-starter.

Israel currently owes the U.S. about \$8 billion in loans, mostly extended since the 1973 war. But for the U.S. to forget about those loans, the Congress would first have to pass legislation appropriating every outstanding loan dollar in a new budget. Thus, if the entire Israeli debt were to be waived, Congress would have to sign it into law. In the budget allocation and the president would have to sign it into law. In the process, Israel's international credit rating would plummet.

Israel, therefore, is better off letting the Congress pass additional aid grants to help repay earlier debts. This would have the same effect without the political cost.

Aridor's plan to dollarize the economy intrigued U.S. officials, although they suspected that it was politically unrealistic. They are now waiting to see what his successor Yigal Cohen-Orag, comes up with. But one thing is clear: There is considerable goodwill in Washington. The Americans want to help, and they are happy that Israel is also taking further painful steps to help itself.

BANK BAIL-OUT

(Continued from Page One)

that, while there might be an initial drop in price, they did not anticipate any appreciable drop in the long run.

Capital market commissioner Yehuda Drori said yesterday that the regulating mechanism may operate for a long period of time, and not only during the first days of trade.

In anticipation of the opening of the stock exchange on Monday, the banks and other brokers will receive buying and selling orders until midday Sunday. The orders will be transferred to the stock exchange on Sunday night. Trading will be done by computer, which will set the price of each share according to the trading levels.

In the new computerized system, the exchange will enter every sell

order for the bank shares. The orders will be statistically arranged to reflect a curve showing supply and demand at various price levels, as established by "price limits" attached to the order.

The curve will show the amounts of shares requested to be sold at the various price levels and thus the Bank of Israel, which is acting on behalf of the Treasury in extending market support, will be able to determine the amount of money required to pay for this support.

As previously decided, trading in bank shares will be carried out on Monday without any "rate limitation." This will eliminate the possibility of a "seller's only" listing.

The Bank of Israel, according to yesterday's new directives issued by the exchange, will be allowed to consult with the sellers insofar as setting a price is concerned.

According to the agreement, the banks must buy all the shares offered for sale by the public after five years. The banks will pay \$104 in shekels for every \$100 in shares at the October 6 exchange rate — 1S65.2.

As an alternative, if holders of bank shares convert their holdings into savings plans, the banks will pay the shekel equivalent of \$112 for every \$100 held after four years, or \$134 after six years. But the money will not be paid until the plan matures. The Bank of Israel

had originally planned to limit the option to persons owning up to 1S500,000 in shares, but this amount seems to have been increased.

Shareholders have three months to choose one of the plans. But as a third choice, they can simply choose to sell their holdings.

The government has not yet disclosed how much money it is willing to spend in its support efforts. It is prevented in the agreement from owning more than 5 per cent of bank shares. This provision makes it clear there will be no nationalization of the banks.

Meanwhile, people are being strongly urged by the Treasury, the Bank of Israel and the commercial banks not to sell their bank shares during the initial period of renewed trading.

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Landscape reform

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH / Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE GROUND-BREAKING ceremony this week for a new Hebrew Union College campus designed by Moshe Safdie heralds a major new architectural element in central Jerusalem.

The 20-dunam site, just north of the King David Hotel, stretches from King David Street to the bluff overlooking Jaffa Gate, about 250 metres away.

Instead of massing the floor space in buildings of five or six stories along King David Street, Safdie has chosen to design five low-rise buildings and a higher synagogue and link them with a stepped series of courtyards intended to evoke a cloistered tranquility. This atmosphere is to be augmented by roof gardens and pedestrian ar-

eades, covered by flower-draped trellises.

Construction of the first three buildings, at an estimated cost of \$20 million, is to get underway in the spring and be completed by 1986. These are a youth hostel capable of accommodating 240 persons, a classroom building and the Skirball Centre for biblical and archaeological research, which will contain a museum of finds uncovered by HUC archaeological excavations, most of which have hitherto been stored in basements.

Later, a library, reception centre and synagogue-community centre are to be constructed. The latter, at the eastern edge of the complex, will offer a view through a large window behind the altar towards

the Old City.

The campus will incorporate the existing HUC buildings, including the white-faced Rau Building on King David Street, which Safdie regards as one of the landmarks of the city.

Safdie intends to contrast the golden hue of the traditional Jerusalem stone wall surrounding the complex with the silvery hue of panels affixed to the concrete frame of the buildings projecting just above the wall.

The new complex would add some 18,000 square metres of floor space to the existing 1,800. In addition to three main courtyards, smaller walled gardens for reading and lectures will be provided outside, the library and classroom building.

Two personal views of the nationally known figures aiming to retain their mayoral seats in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem

WHILE MAYORAL candidates throughout the country speak of keeping local and national politics apart, it is generally recognized that October 25 will provide the nearest thing to a national election under our system. Voters have the opportunity of splitting their votes for the mayoral candidate and his party's list for the town council. Thus, if you want to punish the Likud for the government's economic performance, you have your one chance of doing so until general elections come round.

Of late, Mayor Shlomo Lahat has done his utmost to set a distance between himself and the Likud in his campaign line. At the Mapam convention opening he recalled having been in Hashomer Hatzair. In North Tel Aviv he sounds almost dovish, talking of wanting a coalition with Labour in the city council. However, in the Hahikva quarter he is as zealous a Begin hater as any member of the IZL "fighting family."

It must not be forgotten that Lahat organized the big pro-Lebanon rally in Kikar Ma'aleh Israel for Begin and Ariel Sharon in August 1982, nor that Arik Sharon spoke at Lahat's Ramat Aviv rally a month ago. It's not so long since Lahat went cap in hand to then premier Begin to beg him to exert pressure on then finance minister Arikor to help get the money to pay September salaries. It was there that he said: "Tel Aviv is very important in the elections, for only if the Likud rules in Tel Aviv, will its rule in central government be certain."

MK Dov Ben-Meir was the only prominent Labour man with the courage to take on the popular incumbent in a tough uphill contest. Considering the limitations of his candidacy and his shortage of money compared with the financially well-oiled Likud machine, Ben-Meir has been doing quite well. He has the disadvantage of appealing to voters' minds with rather complicated messages, as opposed to Lahat's capsule messages fashioned by his P.R. teams for video-moulded minds. It will be interesting to see how many Tel Avivians will hearten to Ben-Meir's programme, with its sober notions for rescuing Tel Aviv from its decline.

LET ME make it clear. I have nothing personally against Chich, as he's universally known. Indeed, I've always found him to be a really nice guy.

I remember that once, when I was interviewing that almost legendary figure — Ramat Gan's first mayor, the late Avraham Krimitzki, he divided his fellow mayors into two categories: "Those who know their city firsthand, and those who know their city mainly from the view they get through windows while attending cocktail parties." Over the years I've learned from friendly sources in the city administration that according to Krimitzki's litmus test, Chich really belongs in the second category.

True, Lahat has had to cope with a problem endemic to the public sector, exemplified by the reply of one of his predecessors, the late Israel Rokach, when asked how many work at City Hall: "Half," he said. But manpower problems have not prevented Jerusalem's Mayor Teddy Kolek or Yavne's Council Chairman Meir Shitrit from the proper (and aesthetic) development

Challenging a nice guy

By MARK SEGAL



Mayor of Tel Aviv Shlomo "Chich" Lahat.

of their towns without propelling them into bankruptcy.

A DECADE of Chich at City Hall has demonstrated that charisma is not always enough when it comes to managing a city household. Being a Likud mayor, Lahat has benefited to a remarkable extent from easier access to the state coffers than non-Likud mayors. Yet the regular bailing-out of his administration was not for the purpose of solving Tel Aviv's long-term problems, but to pay wages and stop municipal cheques from bouncing. One veteran expert in city government thought that Lahat could in some ways be compared with John Lindsay, a personable but irresponsible steward of New York, which is still paying for his stay at Gracie Mansion.

AS MAYOR, especially in this election-year, Lahat has been the country's leading impresario, sponsoring 125 shows, concerts, performances and other kinds of entertainment costing an estimated IS2 million, an increase of 500 per cent over last year's entertainment budget. Yet it would seem that the main beneficiaries were the residents of Ramat Gan, Ramat Hasharon, Herzliya, Ra'anana, Petah Tikva and Rishon LeZion. It is estimated that 60 per cent of the more than 300,000 persons at the city-sponsored IPO open-air concert at the Ganei-Yehoshua Yarkon park were non-Tel Avivians. The same proportion reportedly held for other side-shows in Chich's summer carnival.

Summer 1983 was one big party for the residents of the Dan Region — thanks to Chich, making many of us wish there were elections every year. Yet there is the fear that the day after the elections, a very big

bill will be presented to the taxpayers of this declining city. Lahat has not denied the charge of his Labour rival, Dov Ben-Meir, that while city services are being curtailed, he authorized the expenditure of huge sums on entertainment this summer.

Perusing the balance sheet of Lahat's decade as mayor, one sees on the one hand the encouragement of all the elements making it Fun City, but on the other, the regrettable fact that many of the young people thronging its cinemas, cafes and shopping centres have been forced to make their homes in Tel Aviv's neighbouring towns.

Lahat may go down in Tel Aviv's 75-year history as the Great Cosmopolitan, and there are those who say that just as Lindsay termed his city the Big Apple, so Lahat has made the Hill of Spring into the Big Orange. But under Lahat's tutelage, Tel Aviv's centrality in the Dan Region, and its position as the business and economic heart of Israel, have been eroded.

A glance at *The Tel Aviv Municipal Statistical Yearbook* shows that the population of the city is decreasing and that what remains is getting older. In 1981 alone, 11,500 persons settled in Tel Aviv, and 15,400 left. In 1982 the birthrate was 14.5 per thousand, the death rate 12.4 per thousand. These figures portend a further decline in population in the future.

Under Lahat, few new homes have been made available at the kind of price that young couples can pay. The imaginative and much-publicized programme of providing 6,000 flats for young families by adding a floor to buildings in the older part of town lies buried along with its instigator, the late David

Shifman, who as deputy mayor was a real mover in Lahat's lumbering administration.

The improvements in Tel Aviv's transportation bear his mark. Lahat's much-talked-of "Heart of the City" plan for reviving the older area downtown has not had the expected results. He began chasing offices out of houses in that part of Tel Aviv, but made no provisions for attracting the thousands of young couples he had so frequently promised. Instead, the neighbourhood around Sherut Rothschild-Rehov Sheinkin is becoming increasingly inhabited by large, ultra-Orthodox families, with a consequent change in its character. No big housing projects have been built in recent years here either.

Lahat has also presided over Tel Aviv's decline as a business centre, and neglected the Kiryat Malacha industrial zone, developed by his Labour predecessor, the late Yehoshua Rabinowitz. Some notable examples: Bank Leumi has moved its computer centre to Lod, and will build a housing estate there for its staff; the United Mizrahi Bank has shifted its computer centre to Or-Yehuda; Tadiran has moved to Givat Shmuel, Osem to Petah Tikva, and so forth. This means not only the loss of important revenue in business taxes as well as the money these thousands of employees would otherwise spend in Tel Aviv; it means also that our 75-year-old city is already showing symptoms of inner urban decay in the desertion of the downtown area by early afternoon that characterizes much older cities in other countries.

To Lahat's credit must be put the completion of the Tel Aviv promenade project, and the fact that our beaches are much cleaner this year than those of Herzliya and Netanya, for example. I do not doubt that the promenade project will net Lahat more votes than any other aspect of his record.

To be fair, one must admit that Chich has not concealed his indebtedness to his Labour predecessors, Yehoshua Rabinowitz and Mordechai Namir, the fruit of whose work he is now plucking. Lahat was decent enough to honour Rabinowitz's initiation of the Yarkon park by naming it after him. People who know the mayor well explain that, from the start, he aimed at short-term projects with immediately visible results.

THE ELECTION of Tel Aviv's mayor and city council has always had a national political significance extending far beyond the city's borders. If Labour should increase its strength in the council at the expense of the Likud, it could be the harbinger of a swing back to Labour across the country, and imbue the party with a renewed fighting spirit.

There are other mayoral candidates such as Shmuel Mordechai Virshupsky who is an expert on local government, and independent Abie Nathan, who is using a colourful and costly U.S.-style campaign to get votes for his self-appointed reform list.

But the main contest is between the Likud incumbent and his Labour rival. It will be worthwhile watching out for the difference between the mayoral candidate's votes and those cast for the council list of his party. That could well shake the Knesset building.

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Dreams versus pragmatism

By DAVID HARTMAN

THE HOPES and dreams for reborn Israel are being undermined by the spiritual and political crises in our country. Have we lost our sense of direction? Has the idealism that created this country lost its vitality?

We seem to be drowning in a flood of speculation about the fate of the stock market. We talk about the heroic dignity of the shekel in its battle to withstand the imperialism of the U.S. dollar. Superficial symbols of patriotism can make us forget that we are a young nation, byrdened by the enormous spiritual task of implementing the dreams of generations.

Must the pressing needs of everyday life overwhelm us and undermine our visions and aspirations? Must the Jew live on the margins of history, recite prayers, and live with anticipation but never be challenged by the realities of nation building? Is "Next year in Jerusalem" the only safe way of sustaining the vision of our prophets and our sages?

Israelis of all persuasions regard Jerusalem differently from all other cities in Israel, and not merely because it is their capital city. Our nation's longing to return to its homeland was expressed in the longing to return to Jerusalem. "Next year in Jerusalem" testified to our belief in an open future; it represented our defiance of all attempts at characterizing our historical condition as being inevitable and unalterable. The power of Jerusalem to elicit hope is a permanent characteristic of the mystery of this unique city.

Fredy Kolek's decision to separate Jerusalem from the divisive political debates of the national political scene and from Middle-East politics reflects the wisdom of one who deeply appreciates the unique role Jerusalem

plays both in Israel and in the world at large.

WITH ALL its potential for inspiring hope, Jerusalem is also a city of passion and extremes. Many of its residents have difficulty in accepting the legitimacy of those who disagree with them. We must never forget that in the past Jerusalem was a city of bloodshed, religious conflicts and holy wars. Different monotheistic faiths have preached that he who has the keys to the earthly city of Jerusalem has the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

For long periods in history, humanity suffered from the mistaken belief that God is limited in His love and that only one community is His authentic mediator in history. Monotheistic faiths have not been known for their religious tolerance. It is, therefore, remarkable how different zealous faith communities live side by side within the modern reborn city of Jerusalem.

Mayor Kolek is to a great extent responsible for this unique achievement. He prefers workable solutions rather than ideological-theological rhetoric. It requires patience and practical wisdom to achieve accommodations between rival groups without expecting and demanding belief in religious pluralism. Our tradition always taught that practice precedes conviction.

In contrast to Kant, Jewish tradition taught that purity of motive is not the only criterion by which to evaluate moral and political action. The Talmud teaches: He who gives charity because he believes that thereby his sick child will live is considered a righteous person.

In a city with such potential for

fanaticism and intolerance, it was wise for the mayor to have chosen the path of pragmatic wisdom rather than theological persuasion. A living community that seeks to walk peacefully in the streets of Jerusalem cannot wait for theologians to reconcile religious pluralism with biblical monotheism. People accuse Kolek of being a hard-nosed pragmatist. It is more correct to place him in a tradition of political statesmen whose quest to realize their ideals is tempered by their respect for the limitations of human beings. Compromise, respect for partial and imperfect solutions are not the antithesis to genuine idealism. A leader who can only accept perfect solutions invariably becomes a destructive enemy of imperfect and fragile human beings.

ZIONISM BECAME a revolutionary activist movement when Jews stopped dreaming of a perfect messianic world and learned to appreciate the significance of all human action in history. One who cannot aspire and dream within an imperfect reality cannot participate in the drama of the Zionist revolution.

Jerusalem, with all its imperfections, is one of the most spiritually vital and beautiful cities in the world. We must, however, never forget how fragile and vulnerable is the unity and peace in Jerusalem. The city of passionate religious messianic hopes is capable of turning into a city of hatred and violence. We, therefore, must not underestimate or take for granted the significance of Teddy's sober and courageous leadership as mayor of Jerusalem.

He has shown that a Jewish mayor is capable of appreciating the dignity of all men and all faiths without sacrificing his own historical roots. The unity of Jerusalem, a central theme of his political vision, is not predicated on crushing or negating the variety of rhythms and life styles that abound in the Holy City. No individual, be he Jew, Moslem or Christian, need compromise his particular loyalties in order to feel welcome in Jerusalem.

Jerusalem has much to contribute in the struggle to unite modernity and tradition. The sense of history permeates the reality of Jerusalem. For Jews, Jerusalem brings Moses, Isaiah, Rabbi Akiva and Maimonides into everyday life. Generations meet in the streets of Jerusalem. Consciousness becomes historical as one becomes sensitive to the way Jerusalem contains the hopes of generations.

Jerusalem will always stand in opposition to the modern secular tendency to ignore the importance of memory and tradition. The loss of respect for particular traditions has created the modern disease of false universalisms which in the name of a new and redeemed man have led to violence and hatred among nations. Jerusalem gives expression to the profound Judaic teaching that only out of respect for particularism can one develop a healthy appreciation of the dignity of all men.

Jerusalem still has a unique and vital role to play in the future history of Israel and of the world. It is therefore crucial that the political leadership of this city be placed in the hands of a person who can combine sobriety with the courage to dream within an imperfect world.

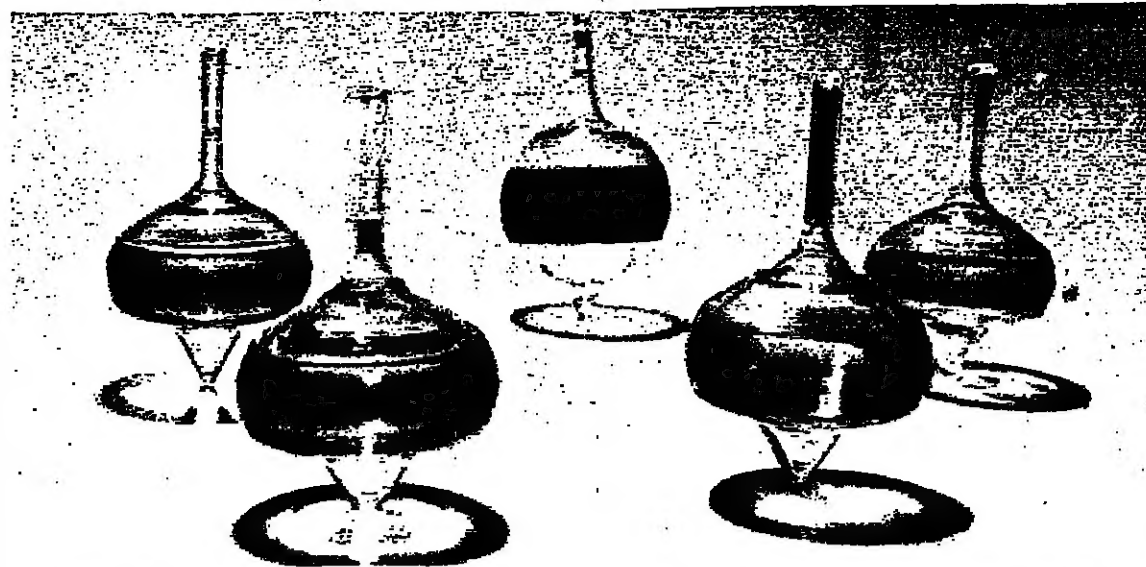
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TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Cryptic

ACROSS

- 1 Foolishly, I help at the new stall set up in a jumble sale (5, 8)
- 7 Wild roses can be painful to us (5)
- 8 In a position to help navigators crossing the equator (9)
- 9 What's wrong with somebody taking it away like this (7)
- 10 Having the time of his life is Henry the First, living in Europe (7)
- 11 Very fat, so be sensible—stay inside (5)
- 12 Glassy-eyed brown children play with it (5, 4)
- 14 If does it, finishes up getting nowhere, by the sound of it (8)
- 17 A line drawn round this (5)
- 19 Have in mind what you must do! (7)
- 21 He tumbles over car with wrecked boat in tow! (7)
- 22 Loans thing out for an assault (9)
- 23 May be undesirable to have him kicked out of the country (5)
- 24 Moving military cars? (8, 5)

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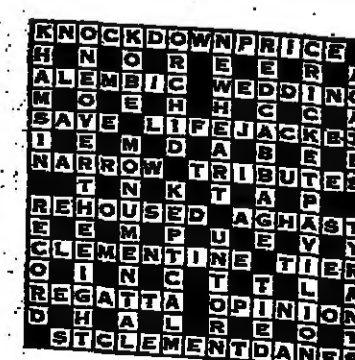
- 1 What makes soldiers fight for their food, by the look of it (7)
- 2 As it were, absorb the atmosphere of the place! (7)
- 3 States one brings flying to an end (5)
- 4 I want me, alone, to have it (7)
- 5 A rude manner, expressed in slang terms? (7)
- 6 Chortle at hen's weird dance (3, 10)
- 7 Taught to dress in it! (6, 7)
- 8 The Pope's mission is to find them work (7)
- 13 Far be it from me to say what it means! (7)
- 15 A letter opener (4, 3)
- 16 Put on a stone, then died! The other way round! (7)
- 17 Call for a popular player haggling about the stage (7)
- 18 They have four feet to travel, so we take them to be lucky (7)
- 20 Urge the poacher to say he's started work! (3, 2)
- 1 Holder for smokes (8, 4)
- 7 Revile (5)
- 8 Going the wrong way, so (3, 6)
- 9 Accompanies (7)
- 10 A copse (7)
- 11 Brought to a finish (5)
- 12 Bad, as of weather (9)
- 14 Comes out again (2, 7)
- 17 Fine glass, like gems (5)
- 19 Very hard work (7)
- 21 Took no notice of (7)
- 22 One playing a wind instrument (9)
- 23 Mad (5)
- 24 Theatre workers (5, 8)
- 1 Wooded (7)
- 2 Gathered harvest remnants (7)
- 3 Slight quarrels (5)
- 4 Causing feeling (7)
- 5 Set in an order (7)
- 6 When Alice was offered jam! (5, 5, 3)
- 7 Non-professional position (7, 6)
- 8 Thrusting from a post (7)

'Quickie'

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Quick puzzle.

- 13 E.g. supermarket workers (7)
- 15 A rubbing-out (7)
- 16 Specimen (7)
- 17 Sense of style (7)
- 18 Brooks (7)
- 20 A door fastener (5)

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Quick Solution
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AFTER PROTRACTED and tortuous negotiations an agreement was concluded yesterday between the Treasury (under its new management), the Bank of Israel and the large commercial banks guaranteeing, up to a point, the values of bank shares.

Under the agreement, the government will back up an undertaking by the banks to buy, at a stated dollar price, all shares offered for sale, by the public at the end of five years. Somewhat better terms are assured, also with a government guarantee, to small investors who are willing to convert their bank shares into four- or six-year saving schemes. Shares held by the banks themselves and their subsidiaries are excluded from the guarantee.

Judged by the liberal principles of a "free economy" to which the present government, like its two predecessors, swears fealty, the agreement is an outrage. For, in the final analysis, it represents a pledge to use the taxpayers' money to prop up, as has rightly been pointed out, the artificially inflated stocks of the major commercial banks.

Shares, whether of banks or other enterprises, traded at the stock exchange, carry a risk against which there is no protection.

Responsibility for creating the erroneous impression that bank shares, unlike the others, are in fact protected against risk rests, in the first place, with the banks themselves. Slowly but steadily they drove up — or as they put it, "regulated" — the values of their shares without much regard to their real worth.

The banking counsellors, moreover, presented the shares to the public as sound, stable, and worthwhile. Masses of gullible investors were taken in by this propaganda.

Yet an even heavier burden of responsibility is carried by the government for actively cooperating with the banks over the past 11 years in their improper practices. Certainly none of the governmental agencies which are supposed to keep an eye on the operations of the banks — neither the Treasury, nor the central bank, nor the Securities Authority — did anything to enlighten the public about the true state of bank shares.

The crisis that resulted, earlier this month, from the public's panicky flight from bank shares and into foreign currency was in large measure the work of the government itself. It is therefore the government's obligation to ensure that the crisis is solved with minimal losses to the investing public — and, no less important, to the economy as a whole.

Intervention by the government to stave off the danger of the banks' insolvency was thus inescapable, even though it flies in the face of certain hallowed principles.

The government plainly hopes that its intervention will bar a panicky rush to dispose of bank shares once trading in them resumes next Monday. To make sure that it does, the government will itself, during the first few days of trading, act to "regulate" bank shares through an unnamed government company. If the effort is successful, individuals, and small firms, in urgent need of money, will not take too heavy a punishment.

At the same time, undue advantage of their plight will not be taken by financial bodies with no liquidity problems, who can easily snap up the depreciated shares.

The immediate test of the agreement concluded yesterday will be the behaviour of the public next week. But the ultimate test will come in five years' time, when the banks and the Treasury will be called upon to make good their promise to buy back the bank shares. If a truly major crisis is to be averted when that fateful date arrives, the public must in the meantime be persuaded that the improper banking practices of the past have not been repeated.

IT WAS SAID, too long ago to remember when, that a change of government would be brought about by one of two causes: either a national catastrophe of some kind or the departure from the scene of Menachem Begin. So predicted the soothsaying analysts, the underlying implication being that Labour, as it was, could not make a comeback on its own merits.

Well, both happened — the disaster, and that bizarre departure of Begin's. And still we do not hear any clamour in the streets to "bring back the old lot, they can't be worse than the present one." The catastrophe happened, the one of the Lebanese escapade, unleashing the spirit of Khomineism in the land. And Begin went.

Then came yet another catastrophe: the explosion of the proper economics time-bomb. And still, no clamour to bring back the old firm. An embarrassment of riches for any opposition — Heaven forbid, no-one wanted it — and still, Labour goes on waiting in the wings. And this despite the fact that we're talking about a *plonker* that has affected everyone, from the mythical "small investor" to the "nice people" who have become preoccupied with money in their at-

tempt not to miss making the fast buck. A situation where the bourse stands in for the Third Temple and it's spend now, sacrifice later.

And still... no one's storming the Winter Palace to bring about a change of government. What's wrong with this people? Or should we ask, what's wrong with the "alternative," Labour?

IT MAY BE an optical illusion (for who sees straight these days?), but the two sides look too much alike, have too much in common. Despite policy differences on such details as whether it's good to become a gendarme over those abstractions called West Bank Arabs (abstractions for the Beginesque people who never see one; that can be left

One catastrophe after another

By SHALOM COHEN

to their *Shabbos goyim*). One can think of other such "details," but we get stuck and it's like one of those picture puzzles, find the differences. Perhaps it's because we're talking of the soul of the nation, hard to finger. *Vive la difference*, yet so much in common — even if it's an optical illusion.

The Shamir government is a xerox of its predecessor, as Shamir himself said. And Labour is a xerox of the lot that was kicked out a long-ago yesterday.

After what's happened, one has to conclude that whatever additional disasters befall the country, the government will survive. That any change means not a change of government, but a change of a minister here or there, a shake-up of

the mixture much as before. Anyway, the Likud, and Herut, have their own internal oppositions, so who takes notice of the other opposition? And Labour has its Rabin.

LET'S BE FAIR to Labour. We didn't have any precedent for the *mabapach*, the upheaval of Menachem Begin's take-over, for that was the very first change of guard. It took a long time till it happened and the ousted Labour establishment still doesn't know why, or doesn't want to. What Labour enjoyed before, all the years of safe power, is now being enjoyed by its upstart opponent, namely, that politics in this little beleaguered superpower land is not a sport as in some other countries, and people

here have an aversion to changing horses. Who, anyway, wants to move backwards, to eat yesterday's dinner which is now Labour, and its leadership, probably appear in much of the public mind?

True, we have yet to see the latest public opinion polls, post-bourse crash. And there are all those Liberals and Tami people up for grabs. The seat-happy disturbers of the coalition government peace — Libs, Tami, or NRP — if bottom-heavy, have a fine sense of smell. Until they sniff the smell of success emanating from Labour, they will nibble but not bite. A seat is a seat, and this holds good as regards the unchanging Labour leadership and its gallery of well-known faces.

We come back to our starting point. No, it's not any catastrophe caused by the government that will bring change, but a "catastrophe" inside the Labour Party and the Labour movement. One that will bring about a change big enough to make an impact on the public, that part which is disturbed and deeply disillusioned with the government, yet feels it has nowhere else to go.

The writer is a member of The Jerusalem Post editorial staff.

READERS' LETTERS

THE MILSON VIEW

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir — David Krivine's article of October 14, "West Bank Roadblocks," gave us a rare opportunity to compare different Israeli conceptions of the West Bank Palestinians' role in the peace process.

However, Krivine's account omits two essential points of "The Milson view":

1. There can be no permanent peaceful solution of the Palestinian problem without Jordan's active involvement.

I advocate a dialogue with moderate West Bankers precisely with the intention of negotiating an agreement with Jordan as well. This is my basic conception, and I both expressed it often and acted on it while in office. My conception of Jordan's indispensable role is no secret to West Bank Palestinians and to Jordanians in the know.

2. We must talk with any Palestinian who recognizes Israel and is ready to negotiate with us, and who rejects terror.

I am proud of my support for the Village Leagues, but I never main-

tained that they were the most important factor in the West Bank. Indeed, I have stated this clearly on numerous occasions, such as in an interview with *Newsview* in May 1982: "The leagues represent an important sector which has been neglected over the generations. Politically they are significant because they defy the PLO. But we don't consider them to be the most important sector. There are other very important parts of the population who do not wish to accept the leadership of the PLO. It is true that many of them do not have the ability or courage to defy the terrorists openly. That is a situation we have to change. But let us not fall into the trap of misrepresenting our policies as if they are solely aimed at encouraging the Village Leagues, or toward some kind of fantasy that the Village Leagues will become representatives of the area. That is not our aim."

Of course, this bare bones presentation of "the Milson view" must be fleshed out if my approach is to be fully understood.

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VETERINARY HOSPITAL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir — In "Marketing with Martha" of October 7, Martha Meisels discusses the new sick fund for pets and quotes its innovator, Amos Levitov, as saying: "Today, the country's only veterinary hospital is in Beersheva, loosely affiliated with the University of the Negev."

The Veterinary Hospital (the Isan Center for Comparative Medicine and the Cashvan Center for Animal Health and Improvement) is fully affiliated with the University. Its staff are university employees and the affiliated with the university. Its staff are university employees and the affiliated with the university.

The hospital not only provides epidemiologic information to improve veterinary practice and understanding, but also provides a necessary community service, primarily to the Negev, but also to the entire country.

The hospital provides special surgical facilities for small and large animals, X-ray facilities, clinical pathology laboratory services, etc. This is all possible because the hospital is affiliated with the university and the facilities were made available through donations to the university. Its staff of seven veterinarians are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at charges similar to those of all other veterinarians in the country.

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AGE LIMIT FOR VOLUNTEERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir — I am 46 years old. I spent last June, July and August as a volunteer at Kibbutz Ein Harod, working as a technical writer.

The ads for kibbutz volunteers appearing in Israeli publications have placed an age ceiling of 35 on the people they want — a requirement that makes little sense for a country that needs skilled people.

Kibbutzim should raise their age limit, inviting healthy people of any age — especially professionals — to work as volunteers. Why discourage those who want to give of themselves to Israel, but cannot find a place to which to contribute?

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